

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910799972203321
Titolo	Language life in Japan : transformations and prospects // edited by Patrick Heinrich and Christian Galan
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Milton Park, Abingdon, Oxon ; ; New York : , : Routledge, , 2011
ISBN	1-136-93593-2 1-136-93594-0 1-282-78133-2 9786612781339 0-203-84667-2
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (271 p.)
Collana	Routledge contemporary Japan series ; ; 34
Altri autori (Persone)	GalanChristian HeinrichPatrick
Disciplina	418.0071/052
Soggetti	Second language acquisition - Japan Linguistics - Study and teaching - Japan English language - Japan Language and culture - Japan Japan Languages
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	Book Cover; Title; Copyright; Dedication; Contents; Illustrations; Contributors; Foreword; Preface; 1 Modern and late modern perspectives on language life in Japan; 2 Language rights in Japan: What are they good for?; 3 Difficulties of establishing heritage language education in Uchinaa; 4 The emerging borderless community on the local radio in Uchinaa; 5 Out of this world, in this world, or both?: The Japanese school at a threshold; 6 Japan's literacy myth and its social functions; 7 Standardization and de-standardization processes in spoken Japanese 8 Constraints on language use in public broadcasting9 Technology and the writing system in Japan; 10 Modernity rewritten: Linguistic landscaping in Tokyo; 11 Language, power and politeness in business meetings in Japan; 12 Japanese as an international language; 13 Prospects and prerequisites for a third-way language policy in Japan;

Sommario/riassunto

Despite its monolingual self-image, Japan is multilingual and growing more so due to indigenous minority language revitalization and as an effect of migration. Besides Japan's autochthonous languages such as the Ainu and Ryukyuan languages, there are more than 75,000 immigrant children in the Japanese public education system alone who came to Japan in the 1980s and who speak more than a hundred different languages. Added to this growing linguistic diversity, the importance of English as the language of international communication in business and science especially is hotly debated. T
