

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910812275603321
Titolo	Exploring civil society : political and cultural contexts // edited by Marlies Glasius, David Lewis and Hakan Seckinelgin
Pubbl/distr/stampa	London ; ; New York, : Routledge, 2004
ISBN	1-134-34261-6 9786610225064 1-134-34262-4 1-299-14018-1 1-280-22506-8 0-203-35829-5
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (191 p.)
Altri autori (Persone)	GlasiusMarlies LewisDavid <1960-> SeckinelginHakan <1969->
Disciplina	300
Soggetti	Civil society
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	Cover; Exploring Civil Society; Title Page; Copyright Page; Table of Contents; List of contributors; PART I Introduction; 1 Exploring civil society internationally; PART II Setting out the argument; 2 Putting civil society in its place; 3 The problem with civil society: putting modern European history back into contemporary debate; 4 Civil society in multilingual polities; 5 In the church of civil society; PART III Owning the concept: Latin America and Eastern Europe; 6 Civil society in Latin America: uncivil, liberal and participatory models 7 Collective action or public participation?: civil society and the public sphere in post-transition Latin America8 Civil society in Eastern Europe: growth without engagement; PART IV Western Europe and the United States: rediscovering the concept; 9 Civil society in the United States of America: prototype or exception? An essay on cultural self-understanding; 10 In Paris, the global place is no longer Saint Germain des Pres: civil society and the French debate; 11 Western Europe: democratic civil society versus neoliberalism; PART V Asia: rooted or

imported?

12 'Old' and 'new' civil societies in Bangladesh13Seizing spaces, challenging marginalization and claiming voice: new trends in civil society in China; 14 Central Asian fragmented civil society: communal and neoliberal forms in Tajikistan and Uzbekistan; PART VI Africa: civil society as neocolonialism?; 15 On the evolution of civil society in Nigeria; 16 Civil society in South Africa; 17 Civil Society in West Africa: between discourse and reality; PART VII The Middle East: civil society as emancipation?; 18 Civil society in Iran: past, present and the future 19 Contractions of a sociocultural reflex: civil society in Turkey20 Unfulfilled aspirations: civil society in Palestine 1993-98; PART VIII The case for global civil society; 21 Globalization and civil society; 22 Global civil society and global governmentality; Index

---

Sommario/riassunto

This volume explores how the idea of civil society has been translated in different cultural contexts and examines its impact on politics worldwide. Comparing and contrasting civil society in Latin America and Eastern Europe, Western Europe and the United States, Africa and South Asia, and the Middle East, the contributors show that there are multiple interpretations of the concept that depend more on the particular political configuration in different parts of the world than on cultural predilections. They also demonstrate that the power of civil society depends less on abstract definitions,

---