Record Nr. UNINA9910814577603321 Gendering struggles against informal and precarious work / / edited by **Titolo** Rina Agarwala and Jennifer Jihye Chun Pubbl/distr/stampa Bingley, England:,: Emerald Publishing,, 2019 **ISBN** 1-78769-369-4 1-78769-367-8 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (190 pages) Collana Political power and social theory, , 0198-8719; ; volume 35 Disciplina 331.4 Soggetti Women - Employment Sex discrimination in employment Construction industry - Employees Sex role in the work environment Business & Economics - Labor Sociology: work & labour Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Prelims -- Gendering struggles against informal and precarious work Nota di contenuto -- From theory to praxis and back to theory: informal workers' struggles against capitalism and patriarchy in India -- Low-wage worker organizing and advocacy in the USA; comparing domestic workers and day laborers -- Masculine vulnerabilities: the double bind of manhood in global migration -- Organizing Filipina domestic workers in Vancouver, Canada: gendered geographies and community mobilization -- Intersectional histories, overdetermined fortunes: understanding Mexican and US domestic worker movements --Feminist entanglements with the neoliberal welfare state: NGOS and domestic worker organizing in South Korea -- Index. Gender is a defining feature of informal/precarious work in the 21st Sommario/riassunto century, yet studies rarely adopt a gendered lens when examining collective efforts to challenge informality and precarity. This volume foregrounds the gendered dimensions of informal/precarious workers' struggles as a crucial starting point for re-theorizing the future of global labor movements. This volume includes six empirical chapters

spanning five countries - the United States, Canada, South Korea, Mexico, and India - to explore exactly how gender is intertwined into informal/precarious workers organizing efforts, why gender is addressed, and to what end. The chapters focus on two gender-typed sectors - domestic work and construction - to identify the varying experiences of and struggles against gender and informality/precarity, as well as the conditions of movement success and failure. Across countries and sectors, the volume shows how informal/precarious worker organizations are on the front lines of challenging the multiple forms of gendered inequalities that shape contemporary practices of accumulation and labor regulation. Their struggles are making major transformations in terms of increasing women's leadership and membership in labor movements and exposing how gender interacts with other ascriptive identities to shape work. They are also re-shaping hegemonic scripts of capitalist accumulation, development, and gender to attain recognition for female-dominated occupations and reproductive needs for the first time ever. These outcomes are crucial as sources of emancipatory transformations at a time when state and public support for labor and social protection is facing the deep assault of transnational production and globalizing markets.