Record Nr. UNINA9910817443603321 Creativity without Law: Challenging the Assumptions of Intellectual **Titolo** Property / / Kate Darling [edit.]; Aaron Perzanowski [edit.] Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, N.Y., : New York University Press, 2017 Baltimore, Md.:,: Project MUSE,, 2021 ©2017 **ISBN** 1-4798-2298-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource Disciplina 346.048 Soggetti Industrial and intellectual property Economic production Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Previously issued in print: 2017. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Front matter -- Contents -- Introduction -- 1. Norms-based Nota di contenuto intellectual property systems: the case of French chefs -- 2. An IP lawyer walks into a bar: observations on creativity in cocktails -- 3. Derogatory to professional character?: the evolution of physician antipatenting norms -- 4. Owning the body: creative norms in the tattoo industry -- 5. Painting on walls: street art without copyright? -- 6. Subcultural change and dynamic norms: revisiting roller derby's master roster -- 7. Architecture and morality: transformative works, transforming fans -- 8. Internet pornography without intellectual property: a study of the online adult entertainment industry -- 9. Nollywood: pirates and Nigerian cinema -- Conclusion: Some positive thoughts about ip's negative space -- About the contributors -- Index Sommario/riassunto Behind the scenes of the many artists and innovators flourishing beyond the bounds of intellectual property laws Intellectual property law, or IP law, is based on certain assumptions about creative behavior. The case for regulation assumes that creators have a fundamental legal right to prevent copying, and without this right they will under-invest in new work. But this premise fails to fully capture the reality of creative production. It ignores the range of powerful non-economic motivations

that compel creativity, and it overlooks the capacity of creative

industries for self-governance and innovative social and market responses to appropriation. This book reveals the on-the-ground practices of a range of creators and innovators. In doing so, it challenges intellectual property orthodoxy by showing that incentives for creative production often exist in the absence of, or in disregard for, formal legal protections. Instead, these communities rely on evolving social norms and market responses—sensitive to their particular cultural, competitive, and technological circumstances—to ensure creative incentives. From tattoo artists to medical researchers. Nigerian filmmakers to roller derby players, the communities illustrated in this book demonstrate that creativity can thrive without legal incentives, and perhaps more strikingly, that some creative communities prefer, and thrive, in environments defined by selfregulation rather than legal rules. Beyond their value as descriptions of specific industries and communities, the accounts collected here help to ground debates over IP policy in the empirical realities of the creative process. Their parallels and divergences also highlight the value of rules that are sensitive to the unique mix of conditions and motivations of particular industries and communities, rather than the monoculture of uniform regulation of the current IP system.