

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910819162503321
Autore	Miller Joseph Calder
Titolo	The problem of slavery as history : a global approach // Joseph C. Miller
Pubbl/distr/stampa	New Haven, [Conn.] ; ; London, : Yale University Press, c2012
ISBN	1-280-06092-1 9786613519832 0-300-17806-9
Edizione	[1st ed.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (231 p.)
Collana	David Brion Davis series
Disciplina	306.36209
Soggetti	Slavery - Historiography Slavery - History
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	Frontmatter -- Contents -- Preface -- 1. The Problem of Slavery as History -- 2. History as a Problem of Slaving -- 3. Slavery and History as Problems in Africa -- 4. Problematizing Slavery in the Americas as History -- Appendix: Schematic Historical Sequences of Slaving -- Notes -- Index
Sommario/riassunto	Why did slavery-an accepted evil for thousands of years-suddenly become regarded during the eighteenth century as an abomination so compelling that Western governments took up the cause of abolition in ways that transformed the modern world? Joseph C. Miller turns this classic question on its head by rethinking the very nature of slavery, arguing that it must be viewed generally as a process rather than as an institution. Tracing the global history of slaving over thousands of years, Miller reveals the shortcomings of Western narratives that define slavery by the same structures and power relations regardless of places and times, concluding instead that slaving is a process which can be understood fully only as imbedded in changing circumstances.