Record Nr. UNINA9910822125403321 Autore Schipper Mineke Titolo Imagining insiders: Africa and the question of belonging // Mineke Schipper Pubbl/distr/stampa London;; New York,: Cassell, 1999 **ISBN** 1-281-29150-1 9786611291501 1-84714-198-6 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (240 pages) Literature, culture, and identity Collana Disciplina 305.8 Soggetti Race Difference (Psychology) Civilization, Western - African influences White people in literature Africans - Race identity African Americans - Race identity Sexism Africa Civilization Western influences 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 (p. [198]-216) and index. Nota di contenuto Contents; Acknowledgements; 1 Insiders and outsiders; 2 Homo caudatus: European imagination and its cultural outsiders: 3 The white man has no friends': The European Other in African oral and written literatures; 4 African roots and American black culture; 5 Negritude, Black Consciousness and beyond; 6 Black is beautiful or the whiteness of feminism; 7 Emerging from the shadows: Changing patterns in gender matters; 8 Knowledge is like an ocean: Insiders, outsiders and the academy: 9 Towards a culture of interdiscursivity: Interviews: Bibliography: Index Sommario/riassunto This study surveys a wide range of writings and ideas out of Africa by people of African descent on the various ways in which ""insiders"" and

""outsiders"", ""self"" and ""otherness"" have been imagined and defined

from African perspectives. Attention is focused on identity issues

regarding Africa, Panafricanism, American Black culture, Negritude and Black Consciousness, as well as on whiteness and otherness, black versus white cultures and gender matters in a racialized context. Some theoretical issues in the academic debate on insiders and intercultural dialogue are also discussed