Record Nr. UNINA9910831840503321 Regional Economic Communities and Peacebuilding in Africa: Lessons **Titolo** from ECOWAS and IGAD / / edited by Victor Adetula, Redie Bereketeab. and Cyril Obi London:,: Routledge,, 2021 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-000-34276-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xix, 226 pages) Routledge studies on African politics and international relations Collana Soggetti Political participation Economic community of west african states Intergovenmental authority on development International economic integration Peace Peace-building Book industry communication Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographic references and index. Nota di contenuto Regional economic communities and peacebuilding in West Africa and the Horn of Africa -- Regional economic communities and peacebuilding in Africa: analysis of legal framework and concerns for international law -- Peacebuilding in Africa: popular progressive versus neoliberal peacebuilding -- Towards a human security centred Sommario/riassunto Regional Economic Communities and Peacebuilding in Africa This book outlines challenges to the effective operation of regional economic communities (RECs) with regards to peacebuilding in Africa. Critically examining these issues from an interdisciplinary perspective, with a focus on comparative analysis of the status, role, and performancesof the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), it examines particular constraints to their effective par-ticipation in regional initiatives. Focussing on inadequate technical capabilities, the complicity of state and non-state actors in conflicts within a region, and the

domestic politics of member states, it additionally addresses related

theories and practices of peacekeeping, security, development, and the peacebuilding nexus. It also engages provisioning, regionalism, and regional peacekeeping interventions, the legal and institutional framework of RECs, and civil society and peacebuild-ing. Fundamentally, the book asks how effective the alliances and partnerships are in promoting regional peace and security and how much they are compromised by the intervention of external powers and actors, exploring new ideas and actions that may strengthen capacities to address the peacebuilding challenges on the con-tinent effectively. This book will be of key interest to scholars and students of African politics and studies, peace and security studies, regionalism studies, policy practitioners in the field of African peacebuilding, and more broadly to international relations.