Record Nr. UNINA9911031574603321 Autore Tadesse Elsabet Samuel **Titolo** Freedom of Expression and Social Movements in the Digital Era: A Case Study of the 2015 Oromo Protest in Ethiopia / / by Elsabet Samuel Tadesse Cham:,: Springer Nature Switzerland:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan. Pubbl/distr/stampa 2025 ISBN 3-031-97845-5 Edizione [1st ed. 2025.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (256 pages) Collana Political Science and International Studies Disciplina 963.072 Soggetti Africa - Politics and government Human rights African Politics Politics and Human Rights Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Chapter 1: Political Protests and Social Movements in Context --Chapter 2: Contours of the 2015 Oromo Protest -- Chapter 3: Cross-Learning Process Across Social Movements -- Chapter 4: The 2015 Oromo Protest and Legal Reform Process -- Chapter 5: Concluding Notes and Ways Forward. Sommario/riassunto The book discusses the 2015 Oromo protest as a social movement that brought about new practices and new actors to the exercise of freedom of expression and information through its use of the Internet as an alternative communication platform and a site of political resistance. It is based on empirical data to analyze how collective movements, identity politics, and the Internet interacted and resulted in government change in contexts where draconian regimes operate and access to the Internet is minimal and expensive. The book scrutinizes the genesis and trajectories of the Oromo protest to provide insights into the diffusion of protest tactics learned from other domestic and global movements. It also introduces peculiar mass mobilization and communication tactics the Oromo protest utilized to establish a shared

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