Record Nr. UNINA9910255324403321 Autore Sigwart Hans-Jörg **Titolo** The Wandering Thought of Hannah Arendt [[electronic resource] /] / by Hans-Jörg Sigwart London:,: Palgrave Macmillan UK:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pivot,, 2016 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-137-48215-X Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XI, 147 p.) Collana Global Political Thinkers Disciplina 320.01 Soggetti Political theory Political philosophy Political Theory Political Philosophy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Chapter 1. Defending Politics against Philosophy --Chapter 2. The Realms of Necessity and of Utility -- Chapter 3. The Practice of Politics -- Chapter 4. The Epistemology of Politics --Chapter 5. The Experiential Position of Political Theory -- Chapter 6. The Limits of Political Horizons and the Vocation of Theoretical Wandering. Sommario/riassunto This book interprets Hannah Arendt's work as a "wandering" type of political theory. Focusing on the sub-text of Arendt's writings which questions "how to think" adequately in political theory whilst categorically refraining from explicitly investigating meta-theoretical questions of epistemology and methodology, the book characterizes her theorizing as an oscillating movement between the experiential positions of philosophy and politics, and by its distinctly multicontextual perspective. In contrast to the "not of this world" attitude of philosophy, the book argues that Arendt's political theory is "of this world". In contrast to politics, it refrains from being "at home" in any particular part of this world and instead wanders between the multiple

horizons of the many different political worlds in time and space. The book explores how these two decisive motives of Arendt's theoretical self-perception majorly influence her epistemological, methodological

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