1. Record Nr. UNINA9910255351203321 Autore Woermann Minka Titolo Bridging Complexity and Post-Structuralism: Insights and Implications // by Minka Woermann Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2016 **ISBN** 3-319-39047-3 Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] 1 online resource (XI, 205 p. 3 illus., 2 illus. in color.) Descrizione fisica 170 Disciplina Soggetti **Ethics Physics** Philosophy and social sciences Applications of Graph Theory and Complex Networks Philosophy of the Social Sciences Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and indexes. Nota di contenuto From the Contents: A philosophical approach to complexity --Complexity and her roots -- Scientific v. philosophical complexity --Principles of philosophical complexity -- Philosophical complexity and the status of ontology, epistemology, and ethics -- Philosophical complexity and the question of ethics -- The ethics of complexity and the complexity of ethics. Sommario/riassunto This work addresses the topic of philosophical complexity, which shares certain assumptions with scientific complexity, cybernetics, and General Systems Theory, but which is also developing as a subject field in its own right. Specifically, the post-structural reading of philosophical complexity that was pioneered by Paul Cilliers is further developed in this study. To this end, the ideas of a number of contemporary French post-structural theorists and their predecessors including Derrida, Nancy, Bataille, Levinas, Foucault, Saussure, Nietzsche, Heidegger, and Hegel - are introduced. The implications that their various insights hold for our understanding of complex human systems are teased out at the hand of the themes of economy,

(social) ontology, subjectivity, epistemology, and ethics. The analyses

are also illuminated at the hand of the problematic of the foreigner and the related challenges of showing hospitality to foreigners. The study presents a sophisticated account of both philosophical complexity and philosophies of difference. By relating these subject fields, the study also extends our understanding of philosophical complexity, and offers an original characterisation of the aforementioned philosophers as complex thinkers.