Record Nr. UNINA9910299803603321 Autore MacDonald Graham A Titolo John Ruskin's Politics and Natural Law: An Intellectual Biography / / by Graham A. MacDonald Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2018 **ISBN** 3-319-72281-6 Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (276 pages): illustrations 828.809 Disciplina Soggetti Intellectual life—History Great Britain—History Philosophy Political theory Intellectual Studies History of Britain and Ireland History of Philosophy **Political Theory** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references at the end of each chapters and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction -- 2. The Wine Merchant's Son: Ruskin's Discovery of the World -- 3. Art, Morality and the Fate of Nations: 1848-1853 -- 4. On the Moral Disorder of Victorian England: From Art to Political Economy: 1853–1863 -- 5. Wealth, Justice and the Medieval Poor Law: 1864-1870 -- 6. Towards Pluralism: Oxford and Natural Law: 1870-1877 -- 7. Easing towards 'a Vast Policy': Establishing the Guild of St. George -- 8. The Condition of Political Virtue: Cooperative Individualism and Civil Association. This book offers new perspectives on the origins and development of Sommario/riassunto John Ruskin's political thought. Graham A. MacDonald traces the

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