Record Nr. UNINA9910467149503321

Autore Søvik Atle Ottesen

Titolo Free will, causality and the self / / Atle Ottesen Sovik

Pubbl/distr/stampa Berlin, [Germany];; Boston, [Massachusetts]:,: De Gruyter,, 2016

©2016

ISBN 3-11-047446-8

3-11-047468-9

Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (192 pages)

Collana Philosophical Analysis, , 2198-2066; ; Volume 71

Disciplina 123.5

Soggetti Free will and determinism

Causation

Self (Philosophy) Electronic books.

Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese

Formato Materiale a stampa

Livello bibliografico Monografia

Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and indexes.

Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Foreword -- Contents -- 1. Introduction -- 2. Causality

-- 3. The Self -- 4. Free Will -- 5. Answers to Objections --

Bibliography -- Name index -- Subject index

Sommario/riassunto A major goal for compatibilists is to avoid the luck problem and to

include all the facts from neuroscience and natural science in general which purportedly show that the brain works in a law-governed and causal way like any other part of nature. Libertarians, for their part, want to avoid the manipulation argument and demonstrate that very common and deep seated convictions about freedom and responsibility are true: it can really be fundamentally up to us as agents to determine that the future should be either A or B. This book presents a theory of free will which integrates the main motivations of compatibilists and libertarians, while at the same time avoiding their problems. The so-called event-causal libertarianism is the libertarian account closest to compatibilistsm, as it claims there is indeterminism in the mind of an agent. The charge of compatibilists, however, is that this position is impaired by the problem of luck. This book is unique in arguing that free will in a strong sense of the term does not require indeterminism in the brain, only indeterminism somewhere in the world which there