Record Nr. UNINA9910511651403321 Autore Adler Max <1873-1937.> **Titolo** The Marxist conception of the state: a contribution to the differentiation of the sociological and the juristic method / / by Max Adler; edited and with a preface by Mark E. Blum Leiden Boston:,: BRILL,, 2019 Pubbl/distr/stampa Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (257 pages) Historical Materialism Book Series; ; volume192 Collana Disciplina 321.92 Soggetti Communist state State, The Communism and society Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Front Matter -- Copyright Page -- Preface -- Foreword -- A Scholarly Nota di contenuto Motto That Contributes to the Present Marxist Critique -- Politics and Sociology -- The Sociological Unity of State and Society -- The Development of the Concept of Society -- The Further Development of the Concept of Society by Marx -- The Formal Logic of Law in Kelsen --The Essential in Marx's Concept of the State -- What Is a Class? --Class and Party -- Political and Social Democracy -- Democracy and Freedom -- Revolution or Evolution? -- Democracy and Its Organisation -- Dictatorship -- Government and Administration --Excursus on Anarchism -- Apparent Anarchism in Marxism -- The 'Marvel' of the Stateless Organisation -- Utopianism in Marx and Engels -- Why We Are Not Understood! -- Afterword -- Back Matter --Bibliography -- Index. Sommario/riassunto This translation of Max Adler's Die Staatsauffassung des Marxismus enables English readers to know a significant perspective on Marx's theory of the state, which was central to the interwar period in which he

> was writing (1922). In an extended dialogue with democratic jurist Hans Kelsen, Adler shows that the so-called necessity of law as the neutral arbiter of a democratic society has been heretofore a flawed

imposition of the authoritative understandings of the ruling classes. Adler's brings to his argument the Kantian concept of "sociation", where every human judgment perforce sets its determinations within its view of the social whole, demonstrating that an accurate comprehension of interdependent equality that realizes an objective "sociation" can only occur in a "classless" society.