1. Record Nr. UNINA9910744501503321 Autore Walters Benjamin Titolo The Future of Free Speech / / by Benjamin Walters Cham:,: Springer Nature Switzerland:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2023 9783031413568 **ISBN** 3031413563 Edizione [1st ed. 2023.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (141 pages) Disciplina 320.01 323.443 Soggetti Political science - Philosophy Social sciences - Philosophy Knowledge, Theory of Political Philosophy Social Philosophy **Epistemology** Inglese Lingua di pubblicazione **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Chapter 1. Introduction -- Chapter 2. What Is Freedom of Speech? --Chapter 3. Epistemic Freedom of Speech in Practice -- Chapter 4. Free Speech and the Redefinition of Harm -- Chapter 5. Free Speech Goes Online -- Chapter 6. A Turn Towards Toleration -- Chapter 7. Reflexive Freedom of Speech in Practice -- Chapter 8. Conclusion./. Sommario/riassunto This book dives headfirst into the contemporary controversy over the limits of free speech. Changing conceptions of what constitutes legitimate harm coupled with the advent of the internet and social media have provided a challenging environment for defining the boundaries of acceptable speech in our contemporary society. This book argues that these problems emerge due to flaws in our free

speech framework, leaving the argument for free speech vulnerable to becoming inverted into a justification for censorship. In response, this book argues for a version of free speech based on a framework of toleration. Drawing on the work of the philosopher Rainer Forst, a new justification for free speech is formulated – reflexive freedom of speech

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