Record Nr. UNINA9910799249003321 Autore Liu Shuyang Titolo The Contemporary Evolution and Reform of Utilitarianism / / by Shuyang Liu Singapore:,: Springer Nature Singapore:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2023 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9789819973637 9819973635 Edizione [1st ed. 2023.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (223 pages) Collana Interests Politics Series. . 2731-5959 Disciplina 171.5 Soggetti Political ethics Political science - Philosophy Political science Political Ethics Political Philosophy **Political Theory** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Chapter 1 Introduction -- Chapter 2 The Source of Contemporary Nota di contenuto Utilitarianism -- Chapter 3 Basic Schools of Contemporary Utilitarianism -- Chapter 4 The Theoretical Evolution of Utilitarianism -- Chapter 5 The Basic Trajectory of Theoretical Evolution: Balancing the Individual and the Community -- Chapter 6 Development of Contemporary Utilitarianism -- Chapter 7 The Evaluation of the Utilitarianism Evolution -- Conclusion -- References -- Afterword. Sommario/riassunto This book is a monograph on contemporary utilitarianism, focusing on its evolving path and logic. It describes the evolution of utilitarianism from the classical model to the contemporary model and then summarizes the characteristics of contemporary utilitarianism, revealing its advantages and disadvantages. This book points out that the best characteristic of contemporary utilitarianism is to give up traditional view of individualism and take balanced attitude to the

relationship between individual and community. The change makes the goal of contemporary utilitarianism from the pursuit of maximizing the

sum of individual utilities to optimal social utility. Therefore, the

contemporary utilitarianism gradually evolves a public philosophy with multiple interests structure, which provides a new way to solve the contradiction between personal interest and public interest.

Utilitarianism is still an important political philosophy in western society, but its existing defects actually make it difficult to have a transformative impact on western institutional structure and system. The target audience of this book are students and researchers majoring in politics and ethics.