Record Nr. UNINA9910823830103321 Autore Mawere Munyaradzi Titolo African philosophy and thought systems: a search for a culture and philosophy of belonging / / Munyaradzi Mawere & Tapuwa R. Mubaya Mankon, Bamenda: ,: Langaa Research & Publishing CIG, , [2016] Pubbl/distr/stampa ©2016 9956-763-15-2 **ISBN** Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (260 p.) Soggetti Philosophy, African Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Preface -- 1. What philosophy is and is not -- 2. Africa and its philosophical thought: nature, scope and pragmatics -- 3. African philosophy, debates, and Henry Odera Oruka's six trends -- 4. Philosophical genres and movements in Africa -- 5. Ubuntu/unhu/vumunhu: a principal moral compass for the southern African world -- 6. Pan-Africanism and the search for Africa's framework for sustainable development -- 7. Nyerereism: a blend of African communalism and socialism -- 8. Nkrumahism: a search for the logic of African unity and consciencism -- 9. African philosophy, cultural identity and globalisation: confronting fear, terror, and uncertainty -- 10. Democracy and human rights talk: Africa's postcolonial challenge. Sommario/riassunto The once acrimonious debate on the existence of African philosophy has come of age, yet the need to cultivate a culture of belonging is more demanding now than ever before in many African societies. The gargantuan indelible energised chicanery waves of neo-colonialism and globalisation and their sweeping effect on Africa demand more concerted action and solutions than cul-de-sac discourses and magical realism. It is in view of this realisation that this book was born. This is a vital text for understanding contextual historical trends in the

> development of African philosophic ideas on the continent and how Africans could possibly navigate the turbulent catadromous waters, tangled webs and chasms of destruction, and chagrin of struggles that

have engrossed Africa since the dawn of slavery and colonial projects on the continent. The book aims to generate more insights and influence national, continental, and global debates in the field of philosophy. It is accessible and handy to a wider range of readers, ranging from educators and students of African philosophy, anthropology, African studies, cultural studies, and all those concerned with the further development of African philosophy and thought systems on the African continent.