1. Record Nr. UNINA9910826104303321 Autore Rupp George Titolo Beyond individualism: the challenge of inclusive communities / / George Rupp Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, [New York]:,: Columbia University Press,, 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 0-231-53986-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (221 p.) Collana Religion, Culture, and Public Life Disciplina 302.5/4 Soggetti Communitarianism Individualism Religious communities Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- Introduction -- 1. Passionate Conviction and Inclusive Community -- Part 1. Education as a Resource -- 2. The Challenges of American Provincialism -- 3 Religion and the Academy - A Lover's Quarrell -- 4. Universities in the Search for Strategic Responses to Global Challenges -- 5. What Is the Good Life? -- 6. More Words for Students -- Part 2. Action for Inclusion -- 7. Local Conflicts as a Global Challenge -- 8. People on the Move --9. Enhancing Local Capacity Globally -- 10. Religious Communities as a Resource for Conflict Resolution -- 11. Religion and Ecology -- 12. Why Community? -- Conclusion -- Index In many places around the world, relations between ethnic and Sommario/riassunto religious groups that for long periods coexisted more or less amicably are now fraught with aggression and violence. This trend has profound international implications, threatening efforts to narrow the gap between rich and poor. Underscoring the need for sustained action, George Rupp urges the secular West to reckon with the continuing power of religious conviction and embrace the full extent of the world's diversity. While individualism is a powerful force in Western cultures and a cornerstone of Western foreign policy, it elicits strong resistance

in traditional communities. Drawing on decades of research and

experience, Rupp pushes modern individualism beyond its foundational beliefs to recognize the place of communal practice in our world. Affirming the value of communities and the productive role religion plays in many lives, he advocates new solutions to such global challenges as conflicts in the developing world, income inequality, climate change, and mass migration.