Record Nr. UNINA9910828211903321 Autore Attfield Robin Titolo Creation, evolution and meaning / / Robin Attfield Aldershot, England;; Burlington, VT,: Ashgate, c2006 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-351-94778-8 1-315-25901-X 1-351-94777-X 1-281-09797-7 9786611097974 0-7546-8263-3 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (245 p.) Transcending boundaries in philosophy and theology Collana Disciplina 213 Soggetti Creation **Evolution (Biology)** Creationism Meaning (Philosophy) Christian stewardship Philosophical theology Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Section 4: Givenness, Metaphysics and Stewardship Note generali Includes bibliographical references (p. [211]-227) and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Meaning, verification, and analogy -- Realism, anti-realism, and religion -- God and falsification -- Creation -- Arguments from world to God -- Darwinism, disvalues, and design -- God and evil --Purpose, immanence, and the argument from value -- Meaning, evolution, and stewardship -- The ethics and metaphysics of stewardship. Sommario/riassunto This book presents the case for belief in both creation and evolution at the same time as rejecting creationism. Issues of meaning supply the context of inquiry; the book defends the meaningfulness of language about God, and also relates belief in both creation and evolution to the meaning of life. Meaning, it claims, can be found in consciously

adopting the role of stewards of the planetary biosphere, and thus of the fruits of creation. Distinctive features include a sustained case for a

realist understanding of language about God; a contemporary defence of some of the arguments for belief in God and in creation; a sifting of different versions of Darwinism and their implications for religious belief; a Darwinian account of the relation of predation and other apparent evils to creation; a new presentation of the argument from the world's value to the purposiveness of evolution; and discussions of whether or not meaning itself evolves, and of religious and secular bases for belief in stewardship.