1. Record Nr. UNINA9910872186203321 Autore Gan Peter Chong-Beng Titolo A Miscellany of Modern Musings: Reflections from Modern Western Thinkers / / by Peter Chong-Beng Gan Singapore:,: Springer Nature Singapore:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pubbl/distr/stampa Macmillan, , 2024 **ISBN** 9789819740024 9789819740017 Edizione [1st ed. 2024.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (126 pages) 190 Disciplina Soggetti Philosophy, Modern Political science - Philosophy Early Modern Philosophy Political Philosophy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Chapter 1: Introduction -- Chapter 2: René Descartes -- Chapter 3: John Locke -- Chapter 4: Blaise Pascal -- Chapter 5: Mary Astell --Chapter 6: Benedict Spinoza -- Chapter 7: David Hume -- Chapter 8: Immanuel Kant -- Chapter 9: Georg W.F. Hegel -- Chapter 10: Søren Kierkegaard -- Chapter 11: John Stuart Mill -- Chapter 12: Friedrich Nietzsche -- Chapter 13: Leo Tolstoy -- Chapter 14: Albert Einstein. Sommario/riassunto The book starts off by giving a quick overview of the main phases within the history of philosophy in the Western tradition. It then homes in on the "modern" phase and proceeds to select key thinkers that represent that slice from the rich intellectual heritage of the West. The main chapters have these thinkers' names as heading. The work is meant to be expository and discursive, suited to introduce the neophyte in philosophy to some of the big questions asked by philosophers and their methods of addressing these questions as well as their unique proposed answers. The coverage is selective rather than

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