Record Nr. UNINA9910970113903321 Autore Alford C. Fred Titolo Rethinking Freedom: Why Freedom Has Lost Its Meaning and What Can Be Done to Save It // by C. Alford New York:,: Palgrave Macmillan US:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan,, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2005 **ISBN** 9786611364205 9781281364203 1281364207 9781403978783 1403978786 Edizione [1st ed. 2005.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (180 p.) Disciplina 323.44 Soggetti Political science Political science - Philosophy Social sciences - Philosophy World politics **Political Theory** Political Philosophy Social Philosophy Political Science **Political History** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. [151]-157) and index. Nota di contenuto Ch. 1. Freedom or power? -- Ch. 2. Borderlines of freedom -- Ch. 3. Bad faith? -- Ch. 4. Mastery and respite -- Ch. 5. Freedom is seeing reality clearly -- Ch. 6. Transgression with others -- Ch. 7. Aristocrats of freedom. Sommario/riassunto This book examines the use and abuse of the term 'freedom'. Based on interviews with people concerning the nature of freedom, the author compares what the people he talked with said about freedom with what

writers and thinkers such as Jean-Paul Sartre, Herbert Marcuse, and Iris Murdoch have to say about freedom. He concludes that the 'political' is

not the answer, and that most of the people interviewed for the book and those like them would be better served by learning the political and social skills necessary to carve out small spaces of freedom in a rationalized world.