



The Dialectical Narrative of Ownership in Hegel's Political Philosophy

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Abstract

Ownership is an important concept in Hegelian political philosophy, the Dasein of freedom in the ethical development clue of legal philosophy, as well as the factor that combines the principle of equality and the principle of equivalence in social intercourse among citizens. To make philosophy a “science” that describes the course of historical dialectical development, Hegel not only incorporated the origin of ownership into the historical logic that is created for the subjectivity of “Kampf um Anerkennung”, but also incorporated labor and laborer that produce the substantive content of ownership into the conceptual, even the ethical level. In contrast with the radical ethical construction theory of Enlightenment, although Hegelian philosophy is full of wording complications, its concept of ownership not only has a more empirical basis, but also outlooks an ideal, universal political system in the sense of modern legal right.

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