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A CONSTRUCTIVE-ENGAGEMENT ACCOUNT

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This book presents a systematic unifying-pluralist account—a constructive-engagement account—of how cross-tradition engagement in philosophy is possible. The goal of this constructive-engagement account is, by way of reflective criticism, argumentation, and methodological guiding principles, to inquire into how distinct approaches from different philosophical traditions can talk to and learn from each other for the sake of making joint contributions to the contemporary development of philosophy.

In Part I of the book, Bo Mou explores a range of fundamental theoretic and methodological issues in cross-tradition philosophical engagement and philosophical interpretation. In Part II, he analyzes several representative case studies that demonstrate how relevant resources in the Western philosophical tradition and the Chinese philosophical tradition can constructively engage with each other. These studies cover issues in philosophical methodology, metaphysics, epistemology, philosophy of language and logic, and ethics. The book's theoretical and practical approaches expand the vision, coverage, and agenda of doing philosophy comparatively and promote worldwide joint efforts of cross-tradition philosophical inquiries.

Cross-Tradition Engagement in Philosophy will be of interest to graduate students and scholars interested in comparative philosophy and the intersection of Chinese philosophy and Western philosophy. It will also appeal to those who are interested in how cross-tradition philosophical engagement can enhance contemporary philosophical debates in metaphysics, epistemology, philosophy of language and logic, and ethics.

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