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Hegel's Theory of Person and Principles of Social Welfare

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The concept of person is very important in considering human rights, dignity and social justice, which are the fundamental principles of social welfare. However this concept has been criticized from various perspectives in recent years. In particular, person with reason has been judged as causing human selection. One of the answers to this criticism can be found in Hegel's argument about person. In this paper we refer to Hegel's *Philosophy of Right* and reexamine Hegel's person concept. From the perspective of others and the community, Hegel extended the so-called modern person concept and concretly grasped it as body, life and ethics. Moreover Hegel institutionalized the right of person as a guarantee of the right to live. Based on this thinking of Hegel, we can think concretely about various social welfare principles while maintaining the concept of person. Hegel's argument about person not only gives us clearer and deeper considerations about person, but also effective ways of thinking for building social welfare theory.

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