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“Politics as a Vocation”

Reflections on Max Weber’s “Politik als Beruf” 100 years later



In January 1919, Max Weber (born in Erfurt in 1864) delivered a lecture on the topic “Politics as a Vocation” (“Politik als Beruf”). This lecture later became a classic work in the field of political science, humanities and professional ethics. A hundred years later, it is worth revisiting Max Weber’s questions and, once again, discussing the profession of the politician, its value and its ethics.

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