Summary

"Personalität und Stellvertretung. Ethik und Recht stellvertretender Entscheidungen"

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The paper examines the close connection between personhood, human dignity and self-determination by consulting John Locke and Immanuel Kant as two major philosophers of the Europen tradition of thougt. It aimes to an application of the outcome of this examination to the problem of surrogate decision-making. The result gained by this application is that surrogate decision-making is ethically and leagally adequate only in order to regard or to restitute personal autonomy. By this it confirmes the main purpose of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities adopted on 13 December 2006.