

In ricordo di Giovanni Berlinguer

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Abstract: This short obituary is a tribute to his work which outlines his main contributions to the Italian bioethics as well as his cooperation with Politeia. Berlinguer made bioethics available and interesting to marxist oriented scholars and started a dialogue with other perspectives centred on the distinction between “everyday bioethics” and “frontier bioethics”: a distinction which is original and important but that may overvalue equity and social justice assumed to be capable of solving any bioethical dilemma.

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