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Knowledge, know-how, uses of know-how, ideas and information are inherently non-scarce. They are **polyexistentials**. Unlike monoexistentials which exist in singular, polyexistentials naturally exist in multiples and are inherently not scarce. What is abundant in nature is being made artificially scarce through man-made ownership rules called copyright and patents. These ownership rules then permit a certain group which usually take the form of corporations to economically profit from these unnatural and economically motivated artificial scarcities. In this book we analyze the topic of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) from a new perspective. The topic of restriction of polyexistentials and Western IPR are one and the same. Yet, the concept of polyexistentials has not appeared in prior discussions of this topic. This is the very first time that the concept and the word “polyexistentials” are being introduced. The model of polyexistence makes it easy to demonstrate that the concept of Intellectual Property is invalid. This proof is based on logic that is rooted in nature of existence and nature of possession and the requirement for ownership to be in harmony with nature of possession and existence. Having rejected the Western IPR regime as an erroneous model for governance of polyexistentials, we introduce the **Libre-Halaal model of governance of polyexistentials** towards facilitating conviviality of tools. We then focus on the digital world and introduce the **Libre-Halaal By\* (ByStar) Digital Ecosystem**, as a moral alternative to the existing proprietary American digital ecosystem. We need non-proprietary digital ecosystems. And that is what ByStar is. Equipped with a multidisciplinary blueprint, we offer our initial implementation of the ByStar digital ecosystem as a starting point towards concrete solutions. It is only through full rejection of Western IPR regime and its deep roots in Americanism that humanity can be rescued.

Distinct And Different

What we are trying to do in this book is distinct and different from the many other books and articles that have been written about Intellectual Property. First, most books on this topic are written by Western lawyers, politicians, economists, journalist, sociologists and academics. We are engineers and we are not Western. Second, this is the very first time that the philosophical concept and terminology of polyexistentials is being used to analyze this topic and this domain. Third, our threatment of this subject is genuinely independent. We are not doing it for money or hype. Finally, unlike most other writings on this topic which amount to naggings of impotents, we are putting a blueprint for a cure on the table. As engineers, we are offering explicit multidisciplinary solutions.



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