

# Transparency and accountability in science and politics - the awareness principle

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## The 'awareness principle': theory, practice and praxis, Metascience

The aspiration to the level of full transparency on its basis has a general belief that democracy is the rule of the people and that the elected representatives are temporary executors of the decision-makers duties, but are accountable to citizens. Accounting has been around for thousands of years but its current form kicks off with universities in the 12th century and the enthusiasm for measurement and personal accountability and is picked up by the nascent banking system before becoming the international standardised approach we all directly or indirectly use today. Editor's note: this blog article was originally published on Delphine Gibassier's own blog in October 2019, and is republished here with permission.

## Accountability, Transparency, Sustainability

Rights-based approaches to development take participation, accountability, and inclusion as inalienable rights that should be integral to both development processes and outcomes and thus represent an embodiment of the normative case.

## Picturing Accountability

I chose to fight on the side of the bears, mountain lions, skunks, bats, saguaros, cliff rose and all things wild. Developed and actively trialed by Johan Galtung in the context of peace development, this creative design approach draws heavily on constructivist principles to enact positive ways of solving complex problems. If you are an unfamiliar visitor to an organization engaged in international development assistance and unsure of the reception you will receive, there is a surefire way to win over your hosts: tell them you believe that four key principles are crucial for development—accountability, transparency, participation, and inclusion.

## Accountability, Transparency, Participation, and Inclusion: A New Development Consensus?

Yet in actual programming they may only pursue or prioritize selective parts of the set, engendering tensions among the different principles. Governance specialists often follow a narrower approach, applying the core principles primarily to the quest for greater public sector effectiveness. Yet powerfully important though these principles are, the consensus around them is not as strong as it might appear based on formal policy statements by major aid organizations and the extraordinary proliferation of references to them in aid programs and projects.

## **Insights into Democratic Theory — and the Awareness Principle**

Huge 'Tree Lobster' not extinct after all. Accountability programs that seek to reduce state capture may actually try to limit participation in the workings of certain institutions, such as central banks, in order to isolate them from political pressure or improve efficiency. Driven by the hopefulness of the immediate post—Cold War years, policymakers in the 1990s initially embraced this argument primarily axiomatically rather than on a firm empirical basis.

## **Transparency as a Principle of Good Governance**

The frustration that led to this inquiry at the start has thus made place for a more nuanced view on my period as a sustainability analyst. There is also disagreement over the extent to which the four principles actually constitute a unified agenda. We then went through a number of case study areas relating to challenging issues that are subject to political decisions.

## **Picturing Accountability**

Oh and he does an excellent deconstruction of Richard Dawkins anti-religious arguments en route.

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