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A NEW PHILOSOPHICAL VIEW ON GOVERNANCE MUST BE ADOPTED

Based on

**Margeret Stout and Jeannine M. Love
“Grounding Governance in Ontology”**



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A gLAWcal comment on "Grounding Governance in Ontology" in Margaret STOUT and Jeannine M. LOVE "A Radically Democratic Response to Global Governance"

"The underlying theme of this chapter is to explore the ontology of this new way of global governance. The question posed in the investigation is "How should we relate to others? How should we relate nature? What is right and good and how do we pursue these ends?" These questions aid the reader to fully understand what the concept of political ontology is: what it is, what it represent, and how can the reader and architects of the new way of governance can decide "which type of ontology would best help us flourish together?" This last question that helps to focus the discussion of ontology in the scope of governance is important to hold onto when reading this chapter.

Ultimately, this question of what is the "best to help us flourish to-

gether", is the scope of the entire book, but even more specifically the content of this third chapter of the book. This is the ultimate goal of the philosophy posed by the authors, but it is important that the idealized version of the governance structures cannot fully exist without wholesale change of the practices that are borne into the system. The authors do well to reinforce this by reminding after every introduction of a new ontological perspective, to return to the idea that the thought processes surrounding governance must be molded to accept this new philosophy."



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