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Complementary Ideals of Justice?

A Trilemma in Emanuela Ceva's Theory of Just Interactions

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Abstract: Emaunela Ceva's theory of interactive justice presents a new set of principles of procedural justice which are distinct from the end-state principles on which contemporary theories of justice have normally concentrated. Principles of interactive justice specify intrinsically desirable modes of interaction between people independently of the goodness, badness, justice or injustice of any outcomes those modes of interaction might produce. Ceva claims that the notions of interactive and end-state justice are complementary and that both are required in ideal theorizing about justice. This article argues, by contrast, that if the two notions have the same status as ideals of justice, they represent conflicting accounts of the ideal of justice rather than complementary ones. If one insists that these two kinds of moral desideratum are complementary, one must pay one of two prices: either one must say that the proper place of the notion of interactive justice is in non-ideal theorizing about justice; or one must say that morally desirable interaction is a virtue but not a form of justice. This seems to leave Ceva with a trilemma: we can think of interactive justice and end-state justice as complementary ideals, as complementary forms of justice, or as conflicting ideals of justice; but we cannot consistently think of them as complementary ideals of justice.

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