

# **Etica e generazioni future. Replica a Magni e Pellegrino**

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*Ethics and future generations. A Reply to Magni and Pellegrino*

*Abstract:* Against Magni's attempts to show that narrow person-affecting consequentialism can cope with the asymmetry and the intransitivity of the relation 'better than', I maintain my previous criticism, that accepting the asymmetry and rejecting the principle of transitivity raises a host of problems that are much more troubling than those raised by accepting the repugnant conclusion. In reply to Pellegrino's criticism of an argument I have given in support of the acceptability of the repugnant conclusion, I recast the argument in a more precise way, and maintain that, so construed, the argument is immune to Pellegrino's criticism.

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