

# Nurturing Ethics in Governance

## Taming Our Rascals Within



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Passionate about governance, agriculture, and rural sustainability, Dr. Apedaile has applied his experience to a fascinating philosophical inquiry into the meaning of ethics. By understanding ethics we can nurture ethical behaviour in governance.

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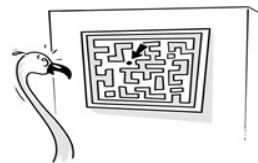
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***Nurturing Ethics in Governance: Taming Our Rascals Within*** offers methods for families, communities, volunteers, and municipalities to nurture their ethics.

Part of this nurture involves taming a rascal within us that emerges as we acquire power. The rascal would rather keep the power for himself than use it for the good of all concerned.

The consequence is that individually and as citizens, we become less governable. Trust leaches out of our communities. Ethics is the cure.

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***By nurturing ethics, one can find ways to navigate ethical dilemmas***