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## **Dissertation**

*Interdependence and Vulnerability. A contribution to the One-Health approach from the Arne Naess's philosophy.*

In this thesis, I analyze some of the contributions of the gestalt ontology and ecological self of Arne Naess to the One-Health approach. The research seeks to establish a connection between environmental ethics and ecological bioethics, articulating the contributions of Potter and Jahr's bioethics with the works of Naess and Leopold. It concludes that to bring the concept of the One-Health to the practice, it is necessary, on the one hand, to revitalize the normative content of human health through a better understanding of the concepts of vulnerability, interdependence, and interconnection that are at its roots. Additionally, I emphasize that to resolve long-standing health inequities, such as gender inequities, ecological racism, or access to essential medicines, it is also necessary to advance in a better and deeper articulation between the three dimensions: human, animal, and environmental health. In other words, we need to recognize animal and ecological health as primary goals of One-Health, with their inherent value and intrinsically connected to human health. Hence, it raises the need to recognize health as a universal good and a necessary condition for a flourishing life shared between species, ecosystems, and humans, including future generations.

## **Research interests / Fields of expertise**

Bioethics, Environmental Philosophy, One-Health Education, Planetary Health, AI Ethics, Applied Ethics

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