



10. Epilogue

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Teaching capable students and helping them to become weavers of the future of the human species in the Singularity epoch is one of the greatest achievements of a policy science professor, and one of the few that do not require “dirty hands” – which is often unavoidable when advising rulers and having to take into account their interests and moods. Bob Krone was such a student at the seminars I gave at UCLA in 1968-70 during my stay with the RAND Corporation.

To be frank, this happened many years before I felt somewhat justified to regard myself as a complete policy scientist. Engagement with the evolutionary future of the human species started in earnest only around 2012, when I dropped all teaching and praxis activities and concentrated on updating my understanding and broadening my concerns, leading to my concentration on improving human steering of its future evolution, as the fitting peak domain of what can be called the Grand Policy Sciences.

Therefore my 1968-70 part-time university teaching at UCLA is not something I am proud of today. But, still, Bob Krone was infected by the policy sciences idea and became a top space exploration policy scientist, thus advancing a critical dimension of the future development of the human species; and with time, becoming the founder of the Kepler Space Institute, which honors me more than I deserve by this special issue of the *Journal of Space Philosophy*.

What remains for me is to thank Bob and his associates, in particular Gordon Arthur, for devoting this issue to my work, giving me the opportunity to contribute two items; and for the privilege of years-long friendship and cooperation in trying to do the little we can to assure a thriving future for humanity.

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