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1995 veröffentlichten Stefano Franchi, Güven Güzeldere und Eric Minch in der Stanford Humanities Review ein schönes Gespräch mit Heinz von Foerster über seine Arbeit und sein Leben (Hier ein Prolog zum Interview von Francisco Varela). Ein kurzes Zitat von Heinz von Foerster: "I don't know where my expertise is; my expertise is no disciplines. I would recommend to drop disciplinarity wherever one can. Disciplines are an outgrowth of academia. In academia you appoint somebody and then in order to give him a name he must be a historian, a physicist, a chemist, a biologist, a biophysicist; he has to have a name. Here is a human being: Joe Smith -- he suddenly has a label around the neck: biophysicist. Now he has to live up to that label and push away everything that is not biophysics; otherwise people will doubt that he is a biophysicist. If he's talking to somebody about astronomy, they will say "I don't know, you are not talking about your area of competence, you're talking about astronomy, and there is the department of astronomy, those are the people over there," and things of that sort. Disciplines are an aftereffect of the institutional situation."Zum vollständigen Interview...

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