Review of: "Social context of the brain and law: Is consciousness social?"

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The theme of consciousness and awareness of one’s actions was, is and will always be relevant for any thinking being. But reasoning about the properties of consciousness cannot be fruitful without understanding its essence. This essence is simple. Any physical system with feedback loop carrying information that changes in itself is a conscious. If this system is also capable of distinguishing itself from its environment, then it is aware. Thus, any system, whether it be an atom or a person, is conscious to some extent. Only after the essence of consciousness has been clarified can one begin to discuss the influence of different consciousnesses on each other, the responsibility of more developed consciousnesses to less developed ones, and the role of the human community (which also represents an underdeveloped, but conscious system) in the education and correction of consciousness its members.