

**POINT OF VIEW:**

# **WHAT IS INNOVATION**

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# I

Innovation implies a new "state of things", a new configuration of variables, a new model of action embodied perhaps in a tool, an approach, a construct.

## II

Where is this innovation born? In the strange nether place of the unknown? Through a simple clash of frames of reference? Or in some other place?

### III

Can it be that innovation is actually born of a desire to "worship" - attention in the highest sense of word? Can it be that by simply attending to a problem, wholly and uninterruptedly, a new state of being comes into place?

## IV

Is this "attending to" a mind-state - not born of historical frames of reference, nor of a mystical unknown - but of an organization of the mind-energy to a new locus of concern?

## V

Can this "attending to" mind-state be reached not necessarily by replication but by carefully orchestrated inquiry? Can this inquiry result in a new frame of reference that keeps the innovation at the centre that is perceived, such that everyone else too can see that frame and say "I too could think of that", if not globally, at least locally in my context.

## VI

Can we in short, replicate the mind-state that created an innovation rather than the specific innovation itself?