Ethics of Technology: Money in Technology

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Q. Has anyone read, watched, or thought about anything relevant to this course?

I. Three Controversial Claims - Charitable Donations and MIT

In his <u>article</u>, Lessig makes at least three controversial claims (listed below). Pick one to discuss in your breakout room. Do you agree with Lessig? Why or why not?

- 1. If you are going to accept Type 3 or Type 4 money, you should always accept that money anonymously.
- 2. The whole reason why it was wrong for Joichi Ito to accept Epstein's money in this case is that doing so created "a great risk of great harm"--specifically, because doing so opened up the possibility that people within the Media Lab would discover the funding source and experience "real and substantial pain" upon coming to see that they were "supported in part by the gift of a pedophile."
- 3. Whether a donation should be accepted depends, at least in part, on the motives of the giver. In other words, it matters whether the giver is giving simply to support the university or the science the university advances, or whether they are giving to repair their reputation.

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