



African Philosophy in Morocco: An Ethical Perspective in Global Debates

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Abstract

African philosophy has a rich history and diverse contributions to global ethical debates. Morocco, as part of Africa's cultural mosaic, offers unique insights into how traditional and contemporary African philosophical thought intersects with local contexts. This study employs a qualitative approach, utilising secondary data from published works, scholarly articles, and interviews with Moroccan philosophers. The analysis focuses on identifying recurring themes in ethical discussions that have been influenced by African philosophical traditions. A key finding is the significant influence of Islamic philosophy on Moroccan ethical thought, particularly within the framework of *ijtihad*—a form of juristic reasoning. This theme was identified in over 70% of the analysed literature and interviews conducted. This study underscores the importance of integrating African philosophical perspectives into global ethics discussions, highlighting Morocco's unique contribution to these debates through its Islamic philosophical traditions. Future research should consider conducting more empirical studies and engaging with contemporary Moroccan philosophers to better understand current ethical issues in depth. Additionally, there is a need for cross-cultural comparative analyses that incorporate data from other African contexts.

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