We human beings live in the explanations of our existence as living beings. These explanations of our existence include what we call the 'laws of nature'. Though we name them laws, we cannot claim that they have an existence independent of us. We human beings do not exist in nature, nature arises with us, and we ourselves arise with it. In this dynamic co-arising, we explain ourselves and our circumstances while operating as observers. The laws of nature are abstractions of the regularities of our operation as living systems that we distinguish as we explain our experiences with the coherences of our experiences. Copyright © 2000 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.