

# Philosophical foundations of the Islamic political system (A comparative study between thought of Farabi and Imam Khomeini)

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## **Abstract:**

The political system in Islam is based on rational and philosophical arguments. They are the core of the Political-Islamic system and Velayat-e-Faqih (jurist governance).

Philosophy is the best and perhaps the sole way to create a strong and consistent political system.

In addition to that, there is a strong relationship between religious and political approach and that the two images of religion and philosophy are for finding a truth.

This has been manifested in a political system based on Islam, which Farabi calls the utopia, and Imam Khomeini defined it as the Islamic city.

Farabi turned to philosophy to prove his theory, while Imam Khomeini also referred to basic Islamic sources and religious texts including verses, hadiths, and reason to have an understanding of them.

Imam has extracted rational principles and other elements of the Islamic system from basic Islamic sources.

According to Imam, the political system in Islam, i.e. Velayat-e-Faqih, is the offspring of the divine prophets, because the jurist governance is a continuation of the Imamate and Prophethood of the infallibles.

The establishment of the Islamic Republic system in the present era enriched the Islamic political thought and ideals.

It also especially created the harmony between the religious and human results and the explanation of the relationship between the religious government and the public masses.

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