

Presentation

By the end of 2015, we launched the first call for papers for Philosophy South, our then new section for short papers written exclusively in English, and for the Philosophy South prize for the best paper for each of the three issues of the new section to be published along with *Filosofia Unisinos - Unisinos Journal of Philosophy* (UJP) in 2016. Until November 2016 we had received almost seventy submissions to Philosophy South from all over the world, from Europe to the Americas, the Middle East, Africa, Asia and Oceania. Nineteen of them were published, including the eight we are now publishing with this last issue of the year. This time, the winner is Artūrs Logins, from Switzerland. His paper, entitled: 'Necessary Truths, Evidence, and Knowledge' was selected as in the previous issues by our prize committee: Prof. Dr. Susan Haack, University of Miami, Prof. Dr. David Copp, University of California, Davis, and Prof. Dr. Barry Smith, University of London. We thank them all a lot for their generous work. To Artūrs Logins, our congratulations! He will receive the 300 dollar prize and, along with all others who have trusted UJP with their short papers, our gratitude. Thanks to your enthusiasm for our initiative, we were able to give our contribution to building a bridge between the philosophical communities around the world. A bridge starting in the South. Let us keep paving this bridge!

Based on the success of the PS prize, we have decided to make it permanent and to award it yearly. From now on, we will give a US\$ 500,00 (five hundred dollar) prize to the best short paper of the year. The prize is to be disclosed in the first issue of the subsequent year. A call for papers for this new prize is appearing along with this issue. Please, help us to disseminate it!

In the article section, five contributions from Brazil, Chile (with two), Uruguay and Spain address subjects related to philosophy of mathematics, semantics and normativity, Hume's epistemology, medieval metaphysics and philosophy of animal rights. The article section is our most traditional section, where we publish papers in Portuguese, Spanish and – preferentially – in English. The articles are much longer than the papers we published in PS, but follow the same editorial guidelines, which prioritize argumentative over mere historical papers.

The Dossier on Human Enhancement was organized by Marcelo Araujo, a professor at both Universidade Estadual and Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (UERJ and UFRJ). He put together a qualified team of Brazilian academics to discuss in Portuguese the latest developments on the cutting edge theme of human enhancement and its ethical consequences. Marcos Azevedo, from Unisinos, Maria Clara Dias, from UFRJ, and Cinara Nahra, from Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN) are distinguished Brazilian scholars and professors dedicated to ethics and bioethics who have a say on that challenging matter. Besides presenting their ideas on the subject, Marcelo managed to make them to discuss their ideas and opinions in replies and responses to replies. This is a discussion worth reading for those who can access Portuguese and have interest in an issue which will certainly make headlines in the years to come.

Closing the issue, César S. dos Santos, from Universidade Federal de Santa Maria (UFSM), Brazil, presents a well done review of the recently published book by Maria Rosa Antognazza, *Leibniz: A very short introduction* (Oxford University Press, 2016).

We want to keep improving the *Filosofia Unisinos - Unisinos Journal of Philosophy* project and count on you, our readers and authors, to do so. Please, let us know what we can do to make your experience as a reader and/or contributor better. Suggestions concerning all sections of the journal are most welcome. You can reach us using the following address: periodicos@unisinos.br

The UJP team, me, Eduardo Vicentini de Medeiros, my assistant editor, Caroline Santilli and Bruna Bergamo, from our editorial office, thank you for your support, and I thank the team for their tireless and competent work. I wish you all a good and fruitful time reading this issue.

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Editor