

Presentation

The history of philosophy is, without doubt, an important part of what philosophers are expected to do in order to properly address the problems they are interested in. And indeed, a lot of what is published in philosophy journals pays the author's debts to the history of ideas. The contemporary Brazilian philosophical tradition, like many others in Latin America, Europe, and Asia, has invested a great deal of effort in highly technical exegetic works. The amount of articles on the history of philosophy submitted to the *Filosofia Unisinos - Unisinos Journal of Philosophy* (UJP) attests to how dominant this tradition remains to this day. Papers dedicated to concepts and authors are far more abundant than those focused on particular problems and themes.

We praise this tradition and have endeavored to keep it vibrant, interesting, and challenging for our community of readers. In this issue, as in the first of this year, the history of philosophy plays a central role. Four of the five articles published here are to be classified under the historiographical tradition. In these vital texts, scholars scrutinize key aspects within the thought of Kant, Descartes, Aristotle, and Reinhold. The first article is something of an exception, since it concerns a theme in the philosophy of mind. This time, the 'Philosophy South' section is missing, owing to the fact that we have not received a steady flux of submissions to evaluate. This is a pity.

When we started the short paper section 'Philosophy South' in 2015, we were convinced that a less represented tradition in the Southern hemisphere, but also in some parts of the North – papers that present specific problems and make succinct arguments – should have a place among the prevalent historical tradition. Well, of this we are still convinced! After a bright start, with more than 50 short papers being submitted in 2016, of which 21 were published, with three being awarded a prize, an annual prize of US 500.00 was set up. We are due to award the prize with the publication of our last issue of 2017, which will appear in late January 2018. In addition to this, we are pleased to announce an additional incentive to authors. Papers up to 5,000 words that are submitted to PS before 30 November will be evaluated in time to appear in that last issue. We hope that beside the prize, this fast-track evaluation process may inspire authors to fill our system with their latest contributions to the discipline.

The UJP team, Eduardo Vicentini, the assistant editor, Caroline Santilli, secretary and Tainá Silva Diniz da Costa, copy desk personnel, who we are welcoming on board, will keep up their good work, and they are prepared to deal with a welcome increase in demand. I am grateful to them for their support. If you have any questions or comments, you can reach us at the following email address: periodicos@unisinos.br.

We wish you all a pleasant reading.

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