

Editorial

With this issue we celebrate the tenth anniversary of the first publication of the *International Journal of Philosophical Studies*, first launched in March 1993. Our original plan was to produce two high-quality issues a year containing articles in all areas of philosophy, but aiming especially to contribute to the ongoing dialogue between analytic and Continental philosophy. Because of the overwhelming number and quality of submissions received, and the positive reaction of the readership, in 1997 the journal moved to three issues a year. Last year, 2001, the *IJPS* again expanded – this time to full quarterly publication.

It has been our longstanding goal to produce an international quarterly journal of the highest quality. Ten years is a reasonably long time in academic publishing, and especially in the area of academic journals, but we can assert with confidence that the *IJPS* has fulfilled initial expectations and is, thanks to the quality of those who have published in it, now a flourishing journal, having won a respected place in the international arena of professional academic philosophy. Just to illustrate the strength of the journal's contributors, we can list among the philosophers published in past issues of the journal (in no particular order) the following: Hilary Putnam, Donald Davidson, Noam Chomsky, John R. Searle, Crispin Wright, Tim Williamson, Michael Williams, Robert J. Fogelin, Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, Julia Annas, Sarah Broadie, Marga Reimer, Martha Nussbaum, Cynthia MacDonald, Suzanne Uniacke, Karl-Otto Apel, Otto Pöggeler, Wolfgang Karl, Karsten Harries, Hubert L. Dreyfus, Jacques Taminiaux, Richard Kearney, Simon Critchley, David Cooper, Alastair Hannay, Gregory McCulloch, Chris Hookway, John Gray, Philip Pettit, Stephen Clarke, Jo Wolff, Mark Sacks, Michael Rosen, Salim Kemel, Hans-Johann Glock, David Carr, Stephen Galt Crowell, Jeff Malpas, Mark Wrathall, Theodore Kisiel, and Stanley Rosen. We have had seminal articles on many of the central topics of the philosophy and have produced special issues on realism, on the philosophy of Kant, on Heidegger, on Continental and analytic philosophy. In this tenth volume we are pleased to announce a special issue on Hannah Arendt, and we are planning a special issue on Habermas.

The publication of the tenth volume is a good occasion on which to reflect on the original aspirations of the journal and to revise our mission in the light of our achievement to date and the challenges that lie ahead.

When the journal was first launched in 1993, there was evidence of a Cold War between practitioners of analytic and Continental philosophy, with widespread mutual ignorance, stand-offishness and at times even hostility, but the situation has changed rather radically. In the UK, while still a minority practice, Continental philosophy has found its voice and has increasing representation in regular university philosophy courses, is promoted by specific professional organizations (e.g. the British Society for Phenomenology, the Forum for European Philosophy, the society for European Philosophy, the Nietzsche Society, the Kant Society, the Hegel Society, and so on), and is recognized at the level of the Research Assessment Exercises (RAE). In similar fashion, on the European Continent, analytic philosophy has found a strong foothold in France and Germany and increasingly in Spain and Italy. Of course, since the Second World War, analytic philosophy has been the dominant tradition in the Nordic countries. Pluralism, or at least, curriculum organization of the kind that includes courses on, for example, Heidegger, alongside courses on Quine, appears to be the order of the day. The situation is certainly the same in the USA, where almost all philosophy departments recognize the need to include practitioners of both analytic and Continental philosophy. It is increasingly the case in South America and in other parts of the world. Of course, even the loose labels ‘analytic’ and ‘Continental’ are now being challenged and gradually discarded. We feel, then, that the *IJPS* does not need to specifically highlight dialogue between analytic and Continental philosophy, but can now continue to develop its strengths as the mainstream journal it has already become, publishing the very best of philosophy from all philosophical standpoints and methods. The journal will also continue its practice of publishing a large number of reviews and in-depth critical notices of recent books from all traditions.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Editorial Board and the members of the production team at Routledge (Taylor & Francis) for their support of the journal at every stage. We would also like to record our thanks to the National University of Ireland for their support of the journal. Above all we want to thank our contributors and readers for the success of the journal to date and look forward to developing the journal with your help in the future.

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