

FOREWORD

This issue concludes the first series of *Axiomathes*. Overall, I believe that the perspective that we inaugurated more than ten years ago has proved to be the right one. Little by little, interest in the ontological and cognitive aspects of the philosophical and scientific culture of Central Europe has grown and consolidated.

Beginning with the next volume (year XII, 2001), *Axiomathes* will be published by Kluwer Academic Publishers. The move to Kluwer will give *Axiomathes* greater international visibility and will enable us to develop its range and enlarge the editorial board. The two main innovations in the new series of *Axiomathes* will be the following:

- (1) The previous interest in turn-of-the century Central-European thinkers such as Brentano, Husserl or Hartmann will be extended to their contemporaries in the English-speaking world, such as Peirce and Whitehead.
- (2) The previous interest in psychology and logic will be consolidated and extended to other contemporary scientific fields. Accordingly, *Axiomathes* invites contributions from a variety of scientific communities (psychology and cognitive science, artificial intelligence and knowledge representation, linguistics and lexicography, mathematics and logic, biology, philosophy).

Axiomathes will distinguish itself from other journals by its belief that real advances in the above fields spring from consideration of the origins and intellectual history of certain key ideas at the forefront of current research. In other words, *Axiomathes* will have a prime interest in contemporary issues in cognition and ontology, and a background interest in intellectual history. The journal's main interests will be summed up by its new subtitle 'An International Journal in Ontology and Cognitive Systems'.

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