

## Foreword

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The present issue of *Axiomathes* introduces a new feature: when the board finds a new book that promises to open new research fields, to present new categorical frameworks or methodologies, a series of papers will be collected discussing the pros and cons of the book, together with replies from the author(s). This new section is in addition to the traditional reviews and critical notices: its aim is to dig more deeply and systematically into the nuances of the book selected for discussion, and to open an early debate on its points of novelty.

The book selected for this issue of *Axiomathes* is Nino B. Cocchiarella's *Formal Ontology and Conceptual Realism* (Springer, 2007). Discussion will continue in the next issue of *Axiomathes* with Andrée C. Ehresmann and Jean-Paul Vanbremeersch's *Memory Evolutive Systems. Hierarchy, Emergence, Cognition* (Elsevier, 2007).

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