

“Forms, formalism and uniqueness”

The first edition of the ERGO Conference of Philosophy and Humanities took place at the Department of Philosophy of the Faculty of History of Philosophy at the Babeş-Bolyai University in Cluj-Napoca in April 2018. This special issue is inspired by, but not limited to the contributed papers from this conference. Our main aim is to create and foster a space of mutual understanding between the two main traditions of contemporary Western philosophy – continental and analytic. To this end, we have chosen three concepts that are an integral part of fundamental philosophical inquiry in both traditions: forms, formalism and uniqueness. This call is addressed primarily to contributors that come from the analytic tradition (another supplement is devoted to papers pertaining to the continental tradition). Possible topics include (but are not limited to):

- What is the importance of formal notions in philosophical inquiry? How formalized must/can philosophical work be? Is there an inextricable link between the (im)possibility to formalize a certain theory, tenet or argument and the rigour, soundness, philosophical significance, etc. (or lack thereof) of that theory, tenet or argument?
- Are there more equally satisfying ways to represent formally philosophical theories or is there a best formal version?
- The ontology and epistemology of mathematical notions. Could there be a unique construal and representation of these notions in a philosophical framework? The same question may be applied to ethical, epistemic or modal notions.
- How do old ideas reflect in contemporary philosophical work? What is new and what is old in today’s debates?
- What are the spaces of encounter between analytic and continental philosophy? Are these also spaces of convergence or could they be? Could we plausibly go beyond the divide?

Papers should be written in English. Their length should be between 5000 and 8000 words. The papers should be accompanied by a short abstract written in English (maximum 300 words), 3-8 keywords and a short biography of the author(s). *The call is open to authors that did not participate in the conference.*

Submitted papers should be sent as attachments in an e-mail message with the subject “FORMS-FORMALISM-AND-UNIQUENESS-SUBMISSION” to the following address: mihaimcrusu@gmail.com in “.doc” or “.rtf” format. For more information on the general submission guidelines: <https://studiaphilosophia.wordpress.com/indication/>

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