

Welcome to issue 75 of *Universitas Philosophica*, now in its 37<sup>th</sup> year. This edition comprises ten research articles which stem from three different central themes or methodologies. [...] These texts explore the relationship between restlessness and desire, using the Pascalian reflection on the infinite, and they also question the contemporary figure of the author and the intellectual through the topic of writing and anonymity in the works of Foucault and Blanchot. These articles re-examine the political and ontological role of the body in human subjectivity in light of the transhumanist, queer and decolonial movements and they also consider the rational possibility of immortality and a departure from contemporary nihilism through ascertaining the matter of 'irreligion' according to French philosopher Quentin Meillassoux.

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In the following article, 'Intentionality as formative impulse: towards a phenomenological account of the joint origin of both an organism and its surrounding world', Diego Fernando Moreno Mancipe aims to enrich the phenomenological understanding of intentionality by approaching it from the perspective of the biological and ethological views put forward by J.J. von Uexküll. Through concepts such as epigenesis, formative impulse and surrounding world, among others, he is able to move towards a phenomenology that not only assigns intentionality to an incarnate subject, but also accounts for a dynamic and permeable conception of the subject in relation to the world. At the same time, he leans towards an understanding of animal behaviour that, although it remains in the sphere of objective description, highlights its affective dimensions.

[...] Within the broad context of the cultural transformations that took place in the period of the Latin American independence movements, Gélvez Higuera undertakes a local and regional study based on the Colombian philosopher's theory of the will. This study shows the emergence of a new understanding of the man-society-politics triad that is visibly shaped by the physiological and mechanistic theories of 19<sup>th</sup>-century French philosophy. Such theories lead to a definition of man's faculties and the extent of man's freedom.

In 'On victims: being human(s) from human bodies', Jairo Marcos advocates for the repoliticisation of the body as the condition for a transformative philosophy. To that end, an understanding of the human being as a living, finite, vulnerable corporality that is receptive to the collective is set against a rationalist, universalist definition of the human as an immovable essence. Within this discussion it is of crucial importance to consider those bodies that are marginalised and dehumanised by Western thinking: displaced people, refugees, women, and migrants. Taking into account these bodies that experience suffering, the aforementioned repoliticisation of the body takes on significance, along with the creation of a sustained intersubjective ethics concerning plurality and the co-dependence of human life.

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*Universitas Philosophica* is deeply saddened to announce the passing of Sergio Roncallo-Dow. Professor Roncallo-Dow was a brilliant academic researcher and editor and this journal benefitted from his presence and advice as a member of the Scientific Board from 2018. Sergio Roncallo-Dow wrote a number of books and essays on communication theory, philosophy and aesthetics. In addition, he resolutely championed the production and the impartial and free circulation of knowledge, as well as strongly criticising the increasing replacement of editorial and academic independence with productivity metrics and indicators, that in many circumstances are unrelated to scientific research and communication. As his colleagues and friends we have the duty of continuing his work.