

Opening Note

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Emanuele Severino is increasingly recognized as one of the most remarkable and challenging thinkers of the twentieth century. He invites us to re-think about the Foundation of the manifold determinations, pointing out that what Parmenides said of pure Being («wherefore Justice loosens not her fetters to allow it to be born or perish, but holds it fast», Fr. 7/8) must be affirmed of every being, of every determinate positivity.

The growing international interest in the Severino's thought is testified by the attention that the philosopher Graham Priest dedicated to him (see «Eternity and Contradiction» n. 2 and n. 4) and by discovering that Martin Heidegger meditated upon what Severino wrote in the 1950s and 1960s (see «Eternity and Contradiction» n. 5 and n. 6).

On 22 January 2022 a Symposium was held: "The Other Side of Italian Thought: Emanuele Severino", organized by Giulio Goggi, Federico Perelda, Damiano Sacco, Ines Testoni, in cooperation with FISSPA University of Padua, the Istituto Italiano di Cultura di Berlino and the Italienzentrum of the Freie Universität Berlin.

The present issue contains contributions by scholars who spoke at this important Symposium, with thematic insights ranging from ontology to psychology, from philosophy of mind to science and philosophy of science, in the light of Severino's indication.

