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Dossier on philosophical friendship between Brazil and Uruguay

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Internationalization, one of the main flags of scientific research today, almost always refers to the search for partnerships with distant countries, most of which are Anglo-Saxon. This is no coincidence, as Europe has long been the reference point for philosophy. A quote attributed to Heidegger, in which he supposedly said that "one can only philosophize in Greek or German," encapsulates the essence of this stereotype. As a result, internationalization has become synonymous with access to European texts, archives, and universities. After the two world wars that devastated the European continent, we saw the rise of American hegemony and with it the need to read and publish in English, even though the United States does not have a tradition in the history of philosophy. Meanwhile, in Latin America, Portuguese and Spanish suffered (and still suffer) from a certain philosophical exile, since when published in these languages, texts rarely achieve a wider reach, even among fellow citizens of the same continent. This edition seeks to invite internationalization in Latin American terms, in this specific case, between Brazil and Uruguay.

This issue is launched in the wake of an initiative by *Revista Aoristo* to establish philosophical dialogue between countries on the South American continent, which began with a publication in 2022 celebrating the philosophical friendship between Brazil and Chile. We intend to honor this legacy and encourage both contributors and readers to see us as relevant researchers in discussions that are on par with other international circuits. With texts that span two of the magazine's main themes, Phenomenology and Metaphysics, we have contributions from eight authors, four of whom are Brazilian and four Uruguayan.

The thematic affinities are evident, beginning with the three articles that have Kant as their foundation. The first is on the autonomy of the faculty of judgment; the second explores the origin of metaphysical problems in the origin of Kantian criticism; and finally, we focus on the discussion about the possibility of the authority of reason in answering metaphysical questions. The questioning of metaphysics is also present in this issue in discussions that go beyond Kantian works, through Nietzsche, supported by the reading of Bernard William. On the border between metaphysics and phenomenology, we have an article dedicated to Franz Brentano's proposal of a "Zurük

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zu Aristóteles" (return to Aristotle), which shows us that philosophy is not made up of ruptures, but of interactions and new beginnings.

It is with respect to this integrative approach that cross-cutting themes, whose main characteristic is that they cut across different authors and currents, gain relevance. We can follow this movement in the article on the "quarrel of psychologism", which challenges the naivety with which this debate is commonly portrayed, showing positions that cut across Lotze, Kerry, and Frege; and in the text that discusses attention in phenomenology, with a theme that permeates discussions between psychologists and philosophers in the 19th century and extends into the 20th century, gaining prominence in the work of Merleau-Ponty. And, as one cannot speak of phenomenology without mentioning its founder, we close the edition with an article on the teleological doctrine of science in Husserl.

This volume also includes contributions from outside the *Dossier*. These are four articles and two translations, drawn from the continuous flow of submissions. The first article, by *Lopes*, articulates Heidegger's ontology with Socio-Community Education, proposing *Daseinsanalyse* as a practical guideline for social educators. The second article, by *Milke and Kahlmeyer-Mertens*, deals with the role of Gadamerian philosophical hermeneutics in the foundation of human sciences. The third article, by *Dias and Souza*, criticizes the "blind faith in reason" in universities, which excludes religious knowledge in the name of secularism. The fourth article, by *Pereira Rios*, meditates on friendship as a philosophical experience. The author analyzes it in three movements: friendship that arises from, is built with, and exists for others. Next, we have two unpublished translations: Prof. Jorge Acevedo Guerra translates Pascal David's text "Habitar la tierra: ¿Puede escapar la ecología al reino de la técnica?" into Spanish; Stanley Medeiros and Ricardo Pereira translate Josefa Ros Velasco's "Mitos contemporâneos sobre o tédio" into Portuguese.

Finally, we would like to thank Revista Aoristo for its invitation and editorial care, which allowed us to organize this issue, which, for us, carries the symbolic value of promoting South American scientific production. We hope that the discussions proposed in the articles will serve as starting points for engagement and valuable reflections. Enjoy and happy reading!