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INTRODUCTION

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The articles published in this issue of "Culture and Values" bear the title Issues in German Philosophy. A general formula, it is nonetheless wellsuited to reflect their character and provenance, with the latter term applicable in two ways: on the one hand, the issue includes texts which directly or indirectly concern issues analysed in German philosophy, notions formulated within this philosophy, its renowned and pivotal practitioners, or the influence it had on the philosophers of other national traditions. On the other hand, there are also texts of German provenance in the sense that they although they take up universal issues, they were written by philosophers originating from Germany. The former group includes the following pieces: Gérard Raulet, Lebenswelt als politisch relevanter Begriff, Kate Terezakis, To Philosophize is to Revise, Or, How German Idealism Became Historical in the Work of One Secluded American Thinker. The latter has the following studies: Hans Lenk, Lebensformen in Schemaspielen - und umgekehrt; Friedo Ricken, Die Hoffnung und das gute Leben. Überlegungen im Anschluss an Platon und Thomas von Aquin; Oliver Hallich, A Plea Against Apologies. The issues taken up by the texts are diverse, from historical-philosophic investigations to systematic analyses and reflections upon important ethical issues. We are happy to have collaborated with philosophers working in Germany, as well as authors from France and the United States, for this issue.

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