

## ***Editors' Introduction***

*In an era dominated by information and communication technologies, when science continues to amaze us with its discoveries and technological applications, and when social media are controlling part of our lives and social relationships, does philosophy still make sense? Is humanistic knowledge still necessary today as an indispensable part of our human world?*

*The Interuniversity Philosophy Society (SIFA), a European philosophical society established in Santiago de Compostela, has devoted the fourteenth edition of its International Philosophy Meetings on the Way of St. James to the issue of "Philosophy today: the need for humanities in the making of a world for the future". The Meeting was held in Santiago de Compostela on 9, 10 and 11 November 2017 and was attended by speakers and lecturers from Spain, Portugal, Italy, Japan, Honduras, Colombia, Mexico, Poland and Cape Verde.*

*The Proceedings of this International Meeting are now available, after having excerpted the sections dedicated to Oriental Thought and Thought in Galicia, both of which have been published as separate books.*

*We at Critical Hermeneutics Journal regard this forward-looking perspective on philosophy and humanities as a valuable asset in order to frame thought in its "circumstance" (Ortega y Gasset). While this is an essential endeavour in any era, now, in the digital age, this task is indispensable.*

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The editors