EDITORIAL STATUTE

The Revista da Faculdade de Letras – Série de Filosofia was founded in 1972. Four issues in two volumes were published in the first series, between 1972 and 1973. Publication resumed in 1985, initiating its current series II. In 2014 (volume 32) the journal has assumed its present name: Filosofia. Revista da Faculdade de Letras da Universidade do Porto.

Scientific area and objectives

The purpose of *Filosofia* is to contribute to the creation and transmission of knowledge in the various areas of Philosophy and History of Philosophy. It is not biased towards any specific subject, school of thought or methodology.

Filosofia publishes unpublished studies in Philosophy or other areas, when these are considered relevant contributions to philosophical debate or knowledge.

Filosofia seeks to maintain a high standard of quality, as well as timely publication, so as to assure its authors and readers the opportunity to participate in ongoing debates within the philosophical community.

Filosofia is guided in the texts it publishes by standards of rigor, clarity and academic and scientific grounding, adopting the practice of double blind peer review.

Themes and sections

Filosofia has the following sections: — Studies; — Critical notices; — Reviews; — News; — Chronicle. If considered appropriate, the journal may create new sections, either permanently or on occasion. Filosofia, should its editorial board so decide, may publish thematic volumes or sections thereof (Memorials; Festschriften; Proceedings; etc.).

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Refereeing

The journal adopts the best practices of transparency and rigor in refereeing. All articles and critical studies are read anonymously by two external specialists. Should these specialists recommend acceptance, this may be conditional on alterations. In this case the author would be expected to revise accordingly until the version is considered final by the editors. In cases undecided by the two referees, the paper is given to a third anonymous external reader.

The editor and the editorial staff ensure anonymity throughout the entire reviewing process, as well as the resolution of all conflicts of interest.

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The journal is directed by the following organs: Editor, Scientific Board, Editorial Board.

The Editor directs and organizes the journal's publication; he/she is responsible for the external and independent refereeing process; organizes cooperation in different sections of the journal; is responsible for all administrative acts necessary for publication, which he/she may delegate on the editorial staff. The Editor's functions also include: to preside over the Editorial Board; to keep the Scientific Board informed. The Editor does not evaluate papers submitted for publication. The Editor is appointed by the Editorial Board for a period of two years.

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