

## A WORD FROM THE EDITOR<sup>1</sup>

Estudos Kantianos [EK] registers the passing of Dr. Clélia Aparecida Matins, a member of its Editorial Board, university lecturer and researcher in the Philosophy Department of the Faculty of Philosophy and Sciences of São Paulo State University, on the 15th of July p. p. An enthusiast of the activities carried out by the Centre of Kantian Research and Studies “Valerio Rohden” [CPEK], which is responsible for the EK project, Clélia Martins greatly collaborated with the Kant-Colloquia in Marília (also promoted by the same CPEK), which in her memory will henceforth be designated by Kant Colloquia “Clélia Martins”, starting with its next edition in August 2015. EK is grateful to Prof. Dr. Heiner Klemme for his text in memory of Dr. Clélia Aparecida Martins.

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While greeting and wishing you the best success, EK refers the names of the full members in the new board of the Brazilian Kant Society, elected for the quadriennium 2014-2018:

President: Maria de Lourdes Borges [Federal University of Santa Catarina];

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The present issue of EK, whose “articles” section was entirely coordinated by the ex-associate editor of said periodical, Nuria Sánchez Madrid, to whom I am very thankful, is devoted to the theme “Kant and the empirical sciences”. It includes twelve precious and exemplary contributions by investigators from Germany, Brazil, Canada, Scotland, Spain, the United States, France and Italy, preceded by a “Note by the invited editor”.

The “reviews” section displays two important collaborations: one by Paulo Jesus, the current associate editor of EK, and one by Gualtiero Lorini, who respectively approach *Kant's*

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<sup>1</sup> The English version of the “Palavra do Editor” was translated by Fernando Silva, to whom I am very grateful.

*Organicism: Epigenesis and the Development of Critical Philosophy*, by Jennifer Mensch, and Fernando Mattos' recent translation into Portuguese of the Critique of Pure Reason.

The section “translations” presents “Sketch of a speech for a disputation <On poetical fictions>”, a writing by Kant now translated for the first time into the vernacular by Leonel Ribeiro dos Santos, and preceded by a rich “Introduction” by the translator.

To all the authors, to the ex-associate editor and to the associate editor of EK, my sincere gratitude.

To the reader and future collaborator of EK – herein rewarded with a sort of anticipated end-of-year gift... –, I wish you an excellent reading!

Ubirajara Rancan de Azevedo Marques.  
Editor.