

Call for Papers

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Special Issue on “Conflicting Conflicts”

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We invite contributions on epistemology of conflicts in particular from female scholars working on Islamic and Christian intellectual traditions.

This publication is a part of a broader attempt to revisit the place and role of contemporary humanities in face of growing social conflicts. More specifically, it is an attempt to call into question science’s basic epistemic approach, its basic understanding of the nature of social conflicts, by asking the explicit question concerning the epistemology of conflicts – what are conflicts as knowledge events?

One central characteristic in the common perception of contemporary conflicts, which lends them their specific acute gravity, is the sense of irreconcilability. It is the sense of lack of common ground that seems to generate the specific threat perceived in inter-cultural and most paradigmatically in inter-religious conflicts, as inter epistemic conflicts, i.e. as conflicts between different systems and conceptions of knowledge.

If inter-epistemic social conflicts, such as religious conflicts, are nonetheless to be analyzed epistemologically, as knowledge events, it may be suggested that such conflict situations are particularly complex since the conflict concerns the very understanding of the conflict: not only a conflict on the matter in conflict, but more radically a conflict on the very nature of conflict. The conflict conceptions themselves are in conflict.

In an attempt to explore the idea of *conflicting conflicts*, this publication features the works of theoreticians, who analyze various historical and conceptual moments of conflicting conflicts, central moments of the history of conflict, history as conflict of conflicts.

We kindly ask all prospective authors to send their intent of submitting a paper for this issue with a short 200 word abstract to Elad Lapidot at elad.lapidot@theol.unibe.ch and Luca Di Blasi at luca.dibiasi@theol.unibe.ch by no later than January 30th, 2019.

Authors will be informed of acceptance or rejection by February 10th, 2019. Full papers of a maximum of 20 pages will be submitted by June 1st, 2019.

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