

Special Issue

Wittgenstein's "Forms of Life": Future of the Concept

Message from the Guest Editors

We are pleased to invite you to contribute to a special issue of *Philosophies* on the future of the concept of "forms of life". This notion, drawn from Wittgenstein, is receiving recent attention in philosophy, political theory, anthropology, and the sociology of new medias. This special issue will explore the possibilities of developing this notion as a tool of elucidation and analysis of social structures and the importance of forms of life and individual expression to them. "Forms" pertain to the shape and logic of concepts, and concepts and life evolve rapidly in our computationally-driven world. The pluralistic embedding of language and biology in life form a nexus of fundamental importance, and a challenge to find appropriate forms of criticism and description. This special issue will explore the prospects of Wittgenstein's notion for future research. In this Special Issue, original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but not limited to) the following: Wittgenstein, Philosophy of Language, Social philosophy, Critical Theory, Anthropology. We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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