

## EDITOR'S FOREWORD

In the long history of the philosophical journal *Problemos*, spanning over more than half of a century, this is the first issue that is solely dedicated to Chinese philosophy and the philosophical reception of Chinese intellectual tradition in Europe. All papers in the present volume were selected from more than 60 presentations delivered at the inaugural conference of European Association for Chinese Philosophy (EACP) that was held in June, 2016 at Vilnius University (Lithuania). Another part of the conference papers is simultaneously published by University of Ljubljana in the journal *Asian Studies*.

One of the main goals of EACP is to serve as a platform for a wide accessibility of the European research on Chinese and comparative philosophical research that is usually conducted in national languages. At the same time, EACP also seeks to facilitate better mutual recognition among philosophers drawing inspiration from

European as well as non-European intellectual backgrounds. The present volume is meant to be a positive contribution to both of these goals.

Papers in this volume serve as a good example of the diversity and richness of current research on Chinese intellectual tradition at European universities. These papers are authored both by the established scholars in the field, and by the upcoming generation of young researchers. The thematic and methodological variety is equally wide in range. Hopefully the present volume will be yet another step in familiarizing European readers with non-European intellectual traditions and thus making philosophical questioning and investigation at European universities a truly universal undertaking.

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