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Special Issue: "Giving an Account of Evil"

Philosophers and theologians have reflected upon the 'problem of evil' throughout history. Explanations of the very term and the origins of evil and the ways evil is expressed remain contested. This special issue of *De Ethica* invites scholars of moral philosophy and theological ethics to address this complex theme both as an ethical category and in concrete contexts.

More than seven decades after World War II ended, it is impossible to ethically address evil without engaging the shadow of the Shoah, which has radically changed the understanding of the scope of intentionally inflicted harm and violence. Today, analyses of evil mostly depart from theological explanations and turn to the humanities. Concrete studies include multiple examinations of the phenomenology of violence, and the psychology and philosophy of trauma and its ethical implications. Furthermore, they include the examination of different faces of structural violence, the impact of colonialism on racism and the rise of neocolonialism, the re-emergence and attractiveness of nationalist and authoritarian views, and modern forms of slavery, organized crime and human trafficking.

We welcome contributions from philosophy, theology, and applied ethics, but also from critical political theory, history, and related disciplines. The topic of evil can be approached in many ways. For example:

- Evil as an ethical category
- Phenomenology of violence
- Evil and the Shoah
- Theology, metaphysics, and evil from different religious perspective (Catholic, Protestant, Orthodox Christianity, Judaism, Islam)
- Religion and violence
- Plural moral cultures and the question of evil
- Ethics and structural violence
- Trauma theories: psychology and philosophy
- Interpretations of current politics trends: nationalism, authoritarianism, neofascism
- Xenophobia, islamophobia, and antisemitism in Europe and beyond
- The shadow of colonialism, slavery, and racism, and modern forms of forced labor, human trafficking, and racism in the economic global order
- Migration, the refugee crisis, and the European Border policies

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