

## EDITORIAL

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The present issue of *Pragmatism Today* collects together papers presented at the First European Pragmatism Conference in Rome, Italy, 19-21 September 2012 (<http://www.nordprag.org/epc1.html>). The conference was co-organized by the Nordic Pragmatism Network, with funding from NordForsk, and the Italian Associazione Pragma. For the first time, it brought together the various European groups and individuals whose work has concentrated or built on the tradition of philosophical pragmatism. The conference as well as this publication speak to the vitality of pragmatism in contemporary philosophy and its growing importance in Europe.

The articles in this issue are based on presentations in conference panels organized by Lyubov Bugaeva (St. Petersburg State University) and Emil Visnovsky (Comenius University & Slovak Academy of Sciences) - who have also acted as guest editors for this issue - and the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy. Rebecca L. Farinas's and Alexander Kremer's articles were subsequently selected for inclusion.

In accordance with the themes of the original conference panels, there are two main topics to the present articles. The first is the place of pragmatism aside various other traditions of philosophy - those of European origin - and pragmatism's reception in terms of the issues in contemporary European thought. The second is pragmatist aesthetics, by and large approached by way of the pragmatist concept of experience.

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