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Presentation

Fabio La Rocca discusses the components of the postmodern city in the framework of a socio-anthropological 'climatology' with a view to explaining the social architectonic of contemporary urban worlds through the expressive forms used by individuals to participate in the collective effervescence of urban environments.

Luciana Alvarez examines political conflict and life in the framework of Latin American Political Philosophy through ideas developed by Enrique Dussel and Arturo Roig in contrast with Michel Foucault's notion of counter-conduct, with an emphasis on the juridical dimension.

Bernard Carmona tells three experiences in his life to account for the lived experience of the face-to-face encounter as seen by Emmanuel Levinas, seeking ethical and freedom notions which can be universally shared. This first ethics rising from the face encounter is proposed as a co-construction to meet the challenge of the early 21st century.

Ibrahim Saleh returns to South African elections to show that after almost twenty years since the first elections, democracy is not limited to free elections but requires a stable state with an effective government and public services. It also implies a genuine public space and media open to the expression of public opinion and cultural diversity.

Debates and Documents

Bahjat Rizk exposes the dangers of closed identities and sectarian multiculturalism ;

Philippe-Joseph Salazar deconstructs the rhetorical tricks that allow Putin to hijack the discourse and control the issue in the Ukraine case;

Bruno Colmant has a look at Thomas Piketty's book : he condemns the author's « money illusion » and detects misinterpretations about the capital-labour link ;

The findings of **Olivier De Schutter's** Report on the right to food are outlined, exposing the failure of the current system ;

Ugo Bardi summarizes his research findings for the Club of Rome about the depletion of the Earth's mineral resources;

The Third World Centre in Geneva examines new potential human rights responsibilities for transnational companies ;

Jean-Dominique Giuliani explains in a small « Treaty of Optimism » how and why Europe will remain at the heart of the world;

Abdoulaye Sene delivers an African view on the European construction taken not as a model, but as a reference

Book reviews

Ali Aït Abdelmalek on Christian Gatard, *Mythologies du futur* (Préface de Michel Maffesoli), L'Archipel, Paris, 2014

Just released:

Marc-William Debono, *Ecriture et plasticité de pensée*. Préface de Michel Cazenave, Anima Viva Multilingue Publishing House, Andorra, Collection "Essais", 2014.