

EDITORIAL

This year, we celebrate 25 years of the journal *ethic@*, and the good news is that we have achieved an A1 ranking in CAPES' Qualis Periódicos system. To mark this milestone, we are implementing a series of changes aimed at modernizing the journal. Last year, we adopted continuous publication. Now, starting with this volume, we introduce further developments, in particular a new template with accessibility features, substantial changes to the journal's website—including a reconstruction of its history—and improvements to the peer review process. Overall, we are committed to completing the entire editorial process for submitted and accepted articles in less than six months.

In addition, we have strengthened our open access policy and rethought the journal's ethical framework by providing a clearer account of what we consider good publication practices, establishing more explicit criteria for authorship, the resolution of potential conflicts of interest, and data sharing. Although we have improved the guidelines for authors, we will continue to refine, in this era of Artificial Intelligence, the standards governing permitted and non-permitted uses of generative AI tools to ensure originality and transparency. We also note that these policies will be further developed throughout this year, including guidance for reviewers on the use of AI.

A significant change we have implemented concerns the submission stage. Instead of sending only the file containing the article, review, interview, or translation, under the journal's new template each author will now also be required to submit an additional PDF document, duly signed, containing the publication data. This document will include a range of information provided by the author to promote transparency in research. Moreover, it will serve as a way for the journal *ethic@* to make clearer what it expects from its contributors in terms of the editorial process. All these changes will culminate in a new visual identity for the journal, which will be presented at the end of the year at the XI National Meeting of

ANPOF, to be held in Florianópolis in November.

We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the success of *ethic@* over these 25 years, especially the authors and reviewers who have taken seriously the commitment to making it a publication of excellence. We also thank our colleagues at the Center for Ethics and Political Philosophy (NEFIPO) for their administrative support in managing the journal. For the changes currently underway, the support of the UFSC Journals Portal —particularly Juliana Gulka— has been essential, as has the diligent work of Josiane Garbers in the copyediting and final review of manuscripts. Thank you very much, and long live *ethic@*.

In this volume, in addition to the continuous-flow submissions, we will publish the “Ethics and Justice Dossier,” featuring articles presented in 2025 at the ANPOF Working Groups on Ethics and Justice. We would like to thank Vitor Somavilla (UFMG) and Odair Camati (UCS) for organizing the events and for editing the dossier. Enjoy your reading!

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