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Costantino Esposito, born in Bari in 1955, has been a full professor of History of Philosophy at the University of Bari since 2000. He graduated in philosophy at the same university and since 1979 has worked there, first as a teaching assistant and then as a researcher. Since 1998/99 he has worked as an associate professor at the University of Cassino. On various occasions he has carried out research in Germany at the University of Freiburg i. Br.

His main research interests are: 1) The thought of Martin Heidegger, - and in particular the phenomenology-ontology link, the problem of history, nihilism, the reading of Kant, Schelling and Augustine—on whom he has published three monographs and numerous essays and articles both in Italy and abroad. He has also edited the Italian edition of Heidegger's address "Überlieferte Sprache und Technische Sprache;" 2) The philosophy of Immanuel Kant, in particular the relationship between "criticism" and "metaphysics." He has edited the Italian edition of "Kant's Vorlesungen über die philosophische Religionslehre" and a new Italian edition of "Kritik der reinen Vernunft." In addition, he has published essays and articles on Kant both in Italy and abroad; and 3) The metaphysical works of Francisco Suárez, as a transition from the scholastic tradition to the ontology of the "modernists." He has produced a Latin-Italian version, with introduction and notes, of Suárez' first three "Disputationes metaphysicae," as well as various articles and essays both in Italy and abroad.

He is a member of the Editorial Board of several International Journals, such as «Heidegger Studies», «Viator», «Dilthey Jahrbuch». He lectured and gave talks at Conferences in Europe, USA, South America and Japan. He also taught some graduate courses at the Universidad Catolica de Buenos Aires, at the Universidad Catolica de Santa Fe and at the Universidad "Sedes Sapientiae" in Lima. He is Distinguished Visiting Scholar Professor of UCLA "Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies", Los Angeles, CA. Since 2001 he has worked alongside Pasquale Porro as editor of *Quaestio—International Yearbook of the History of Metaphysics*.

Among his latest works there is a Philosophy Textbook (written with P. Porro) for Laterza Publisher entitled *Filosofia* (vol. 1. antica e medievale; vol. 2. moderna; vol. 3. contemporanea), Roma-Bari 2009. New Edition: *Le avventure della ragione* (vol. 1: Dalle origini alla Scolastica; vol. 2: Dall'Umanesimo all'Idealismo; vol. 3: Dalla crisi dell'Idealismo ai nostri giorni), Laterza, Roma-Bari 2012.