

Guidelines for Book Reviews and Conference Reports

1. Proposals:

Aisthesis welcomes proposals for book reviews and conference reports. If you wish to submit a proposal for a book review or a conference report, please contact Aisthesis Reviews Coordinator (Mariagrazia Portera: mariagrazia.portera@unifi.it), specifying "Book review proposal" in the subject of your email and briefly describing (up to 70-100 words) the reasons for your proposal (why that book/paper/conference should be relevant for "Aisthesis"). Aisthesis' Editor will decide whether to accept your proposal.

You will be notified by email if your proposal has been accepted. Please bear in mind that Aisthesis will not take into consideration reviews that have not been previously approved by our Editor.

Aisthesis particularly welcomes reviews of books published outside Italy, in a foreign language. Only in exceptional cases (for example, in the case of a new and innovative critical edition) Aisthesis will accept proposals for reviews of books in Italian. As a general rule, Aisthesis accepts only reviews of recent publications (no publications older than 2 years). Aisthesis' languages are Italian, English and French.

2. Writing a Book Review or Conference Report for Aisthesis:

A good review, which may concern a book or a paper or a set of journal papers, should give readers an informative and critical discussion of the reviewed book/papers.

The header of your review should include: author(s) or editor(s) first and last name(s) (please indicate if it is an edited book); title of book; year of publication; place of publication; publisher; number of pages; price; ISBN. At the end of your review, please include your first and last name.

The reviews should generally follow the following structure: 1) in the first part, please include a summary of the most important themes and main theses of the book; 2) in the second part, please provide a critical evaluation of the work. What are the pros and cons of the approach presented in the book? What are its strengths and weaknesses? 3) in

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the third part, please copy the book's table of contents and include a brief biographical note of the author.

Conferences reports may follow the same structure: 1) a brief presentation of the main theme of the conference (including title, location of the conference, participants); 2) detailed account of the different contributions and talks, and of the major issues raised by speakers and participants; 3) a succinct bibliography ("further reading") about the main topics and issues discussed at the conference.

For both reviews and conference reports, the length of 3000-9000 characters (max. 1400 words) is suggested. Longer reviews or reports will not be accepted unless agreed with the Reviews Coordinator and the Editor. Once your proposal has been accepted, please submit your reviews or reports to the Reviews Coordinator (mariagrazia.portera@unifi.it) as a Word attachment (.doc) or as a .rtf attachment.