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**PRESS RELEASE**

**WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN CYBORGS**

***A PHILOSOPHICAL TALK ON META-, POST AND TRANSHUMANISM***

***WITH PROFESSOR STEFAN LORENZ SORGNER***



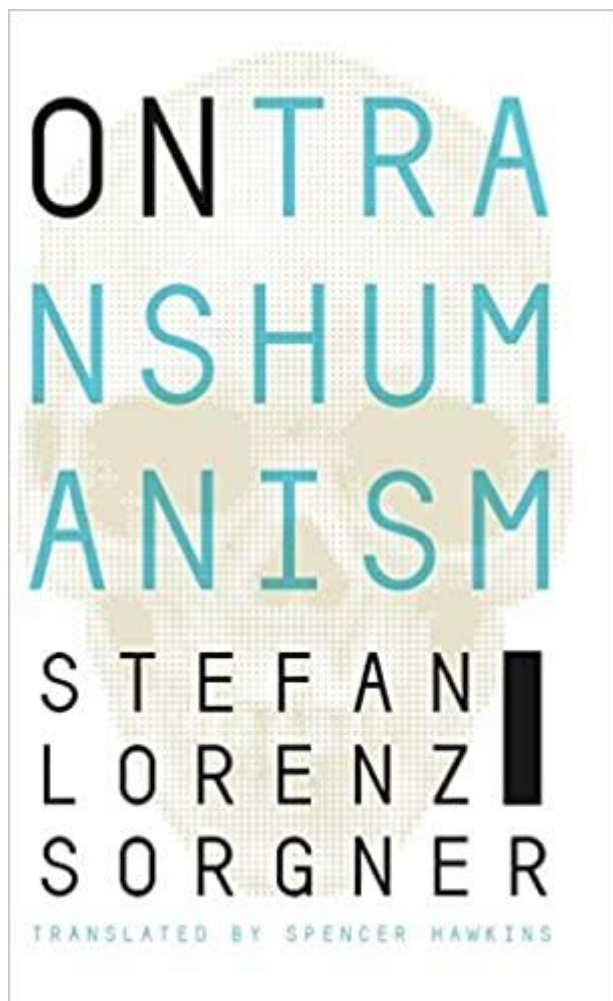
*Professor Stefan Lorenz Sorgner*

*The CCIIF Conferences – The Research Center for the History and Circulation of Philosophical Ideas*, subordinated to the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest, is pleased to announce that the special guest of this year's cycle of lectures-interviews is **Professor Stefan Lorenz Sorgner**. The dialogue is occasioned by a large interest of our philosophical community towards one of his last books, *On Transhumanism* (Penn State University Press, 2020).

**Stefan Lorenz Sorgner** is Chair of the Department of History and Humanities and a philosophy professor at John Cabot University in Rome and is director and co-founder of the Beyond Humanism Network, Fellow at the Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies (IEET), Research Fellow at the Ewha Institute for the Humanities at Ewha Womans University in Seoul and Visiting Fellow at the Ethics Centre of the Friedrich-Schiller-University in Jena. He is editor of more than 10 essay collections, and author of the following monographs: *Metaphysics without Truth* (Marquette University Press 2007), *Menschenwürde nach Nietzsche* (WBG 2010), *Transhumanismus* (Herder 2016), *Schöner neuer Mensch* (Nicolai, 2018), *Übermensch* (Schwabe 2019), *On Transhumanism* (Penn State University Press 2020), *We have always been cyborgs* (Bristol University Press, 2021). In addition, he is Editor-in-Chief and Founding Editor of the “*Journal of Posthuman Studies*” (a double-blind peer review journal, published by Penn State University Press since 2017). Furthermore, he is in great demand as a speaker in all parts of the world (World Humanities Forum, Global Solutions Taipei Workshop, Biennale Arte Venezia, TEDx) and a regular contact person of national and international journalists and media representatives (Die Zeit, Cicero, Der Standard; Die Presse am Sonntag, Philosophy Now). [www.sorgner.de](http://www.sorgner.de) & [www.mousike.de](http://www.mousike.de)

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The dialogue with professor Sorgner, devoted to his book, will engage moral, political and cultural approaches, and will be hosted by Oana Șerban, Executive Director of CCIIF and professor at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest.

“Professor Sorgner has recently worked on a book called *We have always been cyborgs* (Bristol University Press), that will be published this year. It is a wonderful occasion to find out more about this monograph that is anticipated as a bestseller for those who are interested in transhumanism. I must say that it is an honour for our department to renew our dialogue with Professor Sorgner, as he is one of our most appreciated guests that shared with us his valuable knowledge and experience each time he has visited CCIIF. He has coined the term metahumanism and developed an ideological manifesto for this intellectual current and thanks to his sustainable efforts, researchers that work in the field of transhumanism enjoy a powerful network supported by conferences, meetings, debates and publications, in which professor Sogner has invested in the last decade his energy, talent and commitment.” (Oana Șerban)

The conference will be broadcasted by the official channels of our faculty and university, including YouTube and other social media accounts. Stay tuned Monday, May 10, 2021, at 7PM.