

## Call for Papers

This special issue of *Conatus · Journal of Philosophy* seeks contributions on the topic “Conatus - The Will to Persist.” We welcome original articles on the history of the concept, as well as contributions that try to identify a continuity (or discuss discrepancies) between the concept of *conatus* and related notions. We are also looking forward to submissions on contemporary topics, such as the debate about *conatus* and relational autonomy. Submissions should examine topics such as, but not limited to, the following ones:

- a. *Conatus* in Leibniz’ Metaphysics: Perception and Appetite in the theory of monads.
- b. Fichte’s *Streben* of the I: *Conatus* as the basis of human action.
- c. The relationship between *conatus* and the other emotions in Aristotle.
- d. The illusion of time: *Conatus* and time in Spinoza’s and McTaggart’s metaphysics
- e. The concept of teleology in Spinoza’s *conatus*-doctrine.
- f. The Cartesian mechanistic account of *conatus*.
- g. The Heideggerian concept of *Sorge* and its relation to the concept of *conatus*.
- h. Max Stirner’s *ego* as a conative existence.
- i. *Conatus* and relational autonomy.
- j. Hobbes’ materialism: *Conatus* and deliberation.
- k. The conative dimension of social ontology: The modes of persistence of social objects.

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