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Abstract

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In his lessons at the College of France, Merleau-Ponty noticed that something ended with Hegel and that we perhaps entered in an age of non-philosophy. This poses the question if philosophy is coming to an end or if it can be rebuild from within by retaining its essence. While Merleau-Ponty is trying to restore philosophy from the inside, Heidegger and Laruelle open two different paths of a non-philosophical thinking from the outside. The purpose of the article is to compare these two paths more in detail in order to show the radicality of Laruelle's undertaking, which aims not a Verwindung (recollection), nor an Überwindung (overcoming) of philosophy but its appropriation in a new unified theory of thought. The author's main these is that while Heidegger is recovering two different philosophical conceptions of identity by proposing a third one, quasi-philosophical, Laruelle is elaborating a science of identity, which could be applied to philosophical and non-philosophical topics.

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