



# “borders / debordering” Towards a New World Culture of Hospitality

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A conference coorganized by  
Institute for Philosophical Studies, Science and Research Centre, University of Primorska  
(Slovenia) and  
GCAS – Global Center for Advanced Studies (USA)

Keynote address: **Edward S. Casey** (SUNY at Stony Brook, USA)

## Call for Papers

We live in an age of uncertainty which demands new answers about our more and more insecure dwellings in the world, about various insecure modalities of our being-in-the-world, and about our political futures we all wish to share. We always face borders in our lives, some of them visible, some hidden, invisible, or even latently present in our selves and bodies. *Borders / debordering* conference thus wishes to discuss in an interdisciplinary view some of the most important issues of the present, such as:

- the role of the body, being at the threshold between our subjectivities and subjective identities and various intersubjective spaces in ontology, epistemology and ethics;
- the epistemological and existential borders, such as between voice and silence, power and disability, activity and passivity, freedom and constraint, past and future, etc.;
- borders as inscribed in our social spaces and defined by the economic and/or social (in)justice(s), especially in the issues of gender/sexuality and race, as well as borders between “Human/Animal” and “Technology/Nature”;
- the role of geographical borders that shape/limit/constitute our everyday lives, such as ancient city gates, national borders and future cosmopolitan transnational *debordered* places/spaces.

Papers are welcome from the fields of philosophy, religion, psychoanalysis, ethics, sociology, cultural studies, gender studies, political economy, and political geography.

Please send your abstracts (150–200 words, with personal information and institutional affiliation) by February 25, 2016 to: [borders.debordering@gmail.com](mailto:borders.debordering@gmail.com). Lectures should be intended for a 20-minute presentation. The conference will be held in English. Notification of acceptance will be given by March 25, 2016. All accepted abstracts will be published in a book of abstracts available at the conference.

**Conference Chairs:**

Lenart Škof (Head of Institute for Philosophical Studies, Science and Research Centre, University of Primorska)  
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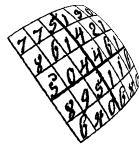
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Conference venue: *Hotel Špik 3\*/4\**: <https://www.hitholidays.si/en/hotel-spik>  
A special discount will be offered for participants.

Selected conference papers will be published in an edited volume with one of the international presses.

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