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Roundtable proposal: Semiotics from the viewpoint of transdisciplinarity and complexity theory: theoretical considerations and applications

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Description

Traditionally, semiotics has been considered an interdisciplinary field since it addresses manifold problems from different dimensions. This practice has implied drawing on other disciplines in order to obtain an in-depth analysis of meaning production.

However, in light of 21st century theories and models, as well as the boundary-breaking in various related disciplines, semiotics is required to go beyond interdisciplinary approaches in order to reach an epistemological transdisciplinary program. Such a theoretical and methodological turn would entail the assumption of certain inquiry such as the following: What are the possible benefits, drawbacks, links, contributions, or contaminations of the numerous transdisciplinary approaches?

This round table aims to encourage the analysis and discussion of several theoretical and applied proposals connected to the three main axes semiotics, transdisciplinarity, and complexity theory (in all their versions).

Papers are invited to focus on topics including but not limited to:

- The relationship(s) among semiotics, transdisciplinarity, and complexity theory
- Considerations and critiques of transdisciplinary projects
- Semiotics, culture, and transdisciplinarity
- Intercultural/transcultural interactions and semiotics
- Semiotics and discourse analysis as transdisciplinary methodologies

- Relationships between nature and culture from a transdisciplinary viewpoint
- Emotions in semiotic-discursive products from a transdisciplinary point of view
- Relationships between predictability and unpredictability in cultural productions