

**No 9, 2008. Plotinus and His Legacy. Ancient and Medieval Neoplatonisms****Editor: Vasile Rus**

This number of *Orma* is dedicated to one of the greatest and surely the most important thinker of the late Greek and Roman Antiquity, Plotinus of Lykopolis. Born in Egypt, from Roman parents (maybe high officialities of the imperial apparatus), he studied philosophy in the school of the neo-pythagorist Ammonius Sakkas (someone though of him as of Sakkaammoni<us>!) and arrived in the end at Rome after a measleading attempt to reach Persia and India. It was Rome his real home country and here he opened his famous school, here he wrote his works, late after the age of fifty, which were published, after his death by his disciple, Porphyry of Tyr, in the form of his six *Enneads*. Being himself a very original philosopher, not a simple reader of Plato's dialogues, as he used to say, he is the founder of the first real metaphysical system which was received by the European culture and developed in manifold sources of philosophical thinking.

The papers gathered in this volume (having as authors Vasile RUS, Gabriel CHINDEA, Cristian Ioan BAUMGARTEN, Cosmin CĂLUȘER, Iovan DREHE, Daniel FĂRCAȘ, Loránd RIGÁN, Cosmin NIERGEȘ) aim to show Plotinus' power of cultural synthesis between the Greek philosophical genius and the Roman social pragmatism.

*Laetabere, doctissime lector et vale!*