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Science, Interdisciplinarity, and Commitment to Transformation

The publication of a new issue of *Mythos Journal* represents more than the continuation of an editorial trajectory. It symbolizes the enduring commitment to producing, disseminating, and valuing scientific knowledge as a means of critically interpreting reality and fostering social transformation. In an era marked by rapid change, institutional uncertainty, environmental challenges, technological advances, and profound transformations in the world of work, science must reaffirm its public, ethical, and interdisciplinary role.

In May of this year, while attending the Galicia Biodays conference in Vigo, Spain, I had the opportunity to participate in the keynote lecture delivered by Timothy Caulfield, Professor at the Faculty of Law and the School of Public Health at the University of Alberta and an internationally recognized scholar in ethics, health, public policy, misinformation, and science communication. His presentation reinforced a concern that has also shaped my own trajectory as a researcher and innovation manager: science must be rigorous, but it must also be understood, effectively communicated, and publicly defended. Caulfield argues that we live in a paradoxical era in which access to information has never been greater, yet uncertainty regarding fundamental issues continues to grow. This reflection resonates directly with the mission of *Mythos Journal*: to provide an editorial platform committed to evidence, transparency, critical thinking, and social responsibility. In an environment increasingly characterized by information disorder, pseudoscience, and superficial interpretations, every published article represents a contribution to preserving public trust in science and strengthening its transformative potential.

My experience in establishing and strengthening innovation hubs, mentoring startups, coordinating externally funded research projects, and fostering national and international academic networks has reinforced my conviction that scientific knowledge should not remain confined within institutional boundaries. It must circulate, engage, challenge, and ultimately transform society.

It is equally important to recognize that scholarly communication is undergoing profound transformations. The expansion of digital technologies, the rapid advancement of artificial intelligence, the internationalization of research networks, and the growing demand for transparency in editorial processes have introduced new challenges for scientific journals. By requiring authors to disclose any use of artificial intelligence in the preparation or conduct of research reported in submitted manuscripts, *Mythos Journal* demonstrates its commitment to addressing the emerging ethical challenges of contemporary scholarly publishing.

This editorial is therefore also an invitation: an invitation to researchers to continue submitting rigorous, critical, and original contributions; an invitation to reviewers to maintain their commitment to academic rigor, intellectual generosity, and excellence in peer review; and an invitation to readers to find in the pages of this issue not only research findings, but also reflections capable of inspiring new questions, new connections, and new practices.

Mythos Journal thus reaffirms its mission as a forum for the qualified dissemination of scientific knowledge, welcoming the diversity of disciplines, methodologies, research objects, and theoretical perspectives. May this new issue further strengthen science as a public good, the university as a catalyst for transformation, and research as a pathway toward understanding and improving the world in which we live.

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