

# Il dentro e il fuori dell'epistemologia: tra validazione e valutazione

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*The Inside and Outside of Epistemology: between Validation and Evaluation*

*Abstract:* Today the analysis of scientific method and its dynamics needs to intersect with what precedes it (the socioeconomical reasons that influence the questions) and with what follows it (the impact on society and culture of tecnoscientific theories and innovations). All this happens just while the foundations on which science was based are changing: the democratic society becomes in new difficulties and the great finances overwhelming the researchers' free choice, but, at the same time, new forms of democracy in science and in society are growing. We believe that the time is ripe for a philosophy of science able to explore this original frame, expanding its frame and its classical standards.

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