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Editors' Note

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We are gratified to see that the *International Journal for the Study of Skepticism*, first published in 2011, has now reached the milestone of being ten years of age. The idea for the journal arose out of the observation that there was not at that time a high-profile international academic journal that specialized in publishing work devoted to skeptical issues, even despite their centrality both to the history of ideas and to contemporary philosophy. We thus sought to rectify what we saw as an important deficit. Since its launch, the journal has gone from strength-to-strength, moving from two to four issues per volume from 2013, and accompanied soon after by the book series *Brill Studies in Skepticism*. During this time, we believe that the journal has fulfilled its original aim of publishing high-quality articles and discussion notes on any field of research relevant to the study of skeptical thought, as well as critical notices, reviews, and symposia discussing major books on skepticism.

Bringing a new journal into being is far from an easy task. It would have not been possible without the contribution of the authors and the work of the anonymous reviewers, and without the support and expertise of the Brill staff, both past and present. In particular, we are especially grateful to Suzanne Mekking, who was the Acquisitions Editor for Philosophy at the time, for taking on this project in the first place, and to Jennifer Pavelko, the current Acquisitions Editor for Philosophy, who has been supervising the journal since 2013. Other former and current members of the Brill staff that over the years have worked with us in making the journal possible include Julia Berick, Meghan Connolly, Fenja Schulz, Dick Kraaij, Wendy Logeman, and Robert van Gameren. Our warm thanks to them all.

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the journal, we decided to prepare a special issue covering different topics relevant to the study of skepticism. The result is the present double issue, where papers dealing with historical figures,

such as Gorgias, Plato, Sextus Empiricus, and Isabelle de Charrière, are combined with papers offering systematic discussions of issues in epistemology, ethics, and the philosophy of religion. As such, the contents of the special issue reflect the broad scope of the journal itself. We would like to express our gratitude to the authors for their willingness to contribute to this special issue.