Preface

The papers printed in this volume were based on lectures given in London as the Royal Institute of Philosophy's Annual Lecture Series for 2004-5. Taken overall, they present a number of contrasting perspectives on political philosophy as it currently stands.

While I would like to thank all the contributors to both the volume and the series, I have, with sadness, to record that Oswald Hanfling died during the preparation of the volume. His contribution to this volume, characteristically careful and forceful at the same time, underlines the loss to the philosophical community which his death entails.

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