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The Conference provided a philosophical forum for exploring the principles, values, purposes, aims and the means of *paideia*, and more broadly of education, nurturing, and upbringing, within the framework of the common issues and problems that all corners of the world face in the present era of globalisation. In the present collection of papers many questions are raised and discussed and important problems related to a number of issues, referring directly to the philosophy of education, are clarified. Understandably the issues examined in the framework of the dialectical aspect of the Conference are only partially represented in the texts of the published volumes.

For this reason it is advisable that the articles in the present volume should be studied in conjunction with the papers contained in the other two volumes on the concept of *paideia* and the philosophy of education in the global era, also published by Ionia publications (**Paideia: Education in the Global era, Volume II, Ionia Publications, Athens 2008** and **Παιδεία: Η εκπαίδευση στην εποχή της οικουμενικότητας, Εκδόσεις Ιωνία, Αθήνα 2008**).

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