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REVIEW

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The study of epistemic attitudes—in particular knowledge and belief—dates at least back to the Scholasticism of the Middle Ages. The formal study of those attitudes, however, were initiated in the late 1950s and early 1960s in seminal works by H.G. von Wright (*An Essay on Modal Logic*, Amsterdam, North-Holland Publishing Company, 1951) and J. Hintikka (*Knowledge and Belief: An Introduction to the Logic of the Two Notions*, Ithaca, Cornell University Press, 1962). Since then epistemic and doxastic logics have grown into mature disciplines enjoying many important applications in various domains, in particular in philosophy, computer science, game theory, economics and linguistics.

The book under review is based on the conference *Dimensions in Epistemic Logic* hosted by The Danish Network for Philosophical Logic and Its Applications in May 2002 at Roskilde University, Denmark. The aims of the conference (reflected in the current volume) were: (1) to track the history of epistemic logic, (2) to consider important applications of epistemic logic in a variety of fields and (3) to discuss future directions of research in epistemic logic with particular emphasis on “active agenthood” and multi-modal systems.

The book consists of a short Preface and seven papers. The first paper by V.F. Hendrickson, K.F. Jørgensen and S.A. Pedersen entitled “Introduction” is devoted to the presentation of certain distinctive developmental features of epistemic logic which stand out as particularly pertinent to both the research progression and direction as well as the general epistemological and applicational relevance of it. The following