Detailed Instructions for Authors

1. About the Journal Obnovljeni život

*Obnovljeni život* is a scholarly journal of the Philosophical–Theological Institute of the Society of Jesus in Zagreb. It was first published in 1919 under the title *Život* which makes it one of Croatia’s oldest journals. Publication was interrupted after World War II, but was restarted in 1971 and the title altered to *Obnovljeni život*. It enjoys a longstanding tradition and is a reputable journal both in Croatia and abroad.

*Obnovljeni život* is issued quarterly, and it publishes categorised scholarly and expert papers from the fields of philosophy and religious studies. Also, it publishes short non–categorised papers such as critiques and reviews (a maximum of 9000 characters with spaces). *Obnovljeni život* is on the A1 list of domestic publications which are taken into consideration in evaluating papers of candidates to be selected for scholarly pursuits in the Humanities.

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Cornell, Drucilla (2015). The role of the Kantian imagination in rea-
DOI:10.1177/0191453714553496

5.7. Archival Material

HR–HDA–650 Pavlinski samostan Lepoglava, fasc. 10, br. 82. [Hrvatski 
državni arhiv]

HR–MP–127 Catalogus Authorum Seu Scriptorum Ex Religiosis ordinis 
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