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Essere-in-relazione. Ermeneutica dell'agire e poetica del voler vivere insieme in Paul Ricoeur

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*Abstract: Being-in-Relationship. Hermeneutics of Action and Poetics of Wanting to Live Together in Paul Ricoeur*

In this paper I propose a path within what I define as hermeneutics of the inter-human bond sketched by Ricoeur. After having outlined the philosopher's forms of concrete commitment in the public space of collective life, I will trace some theoretical moments able to give an account of the relevance of Ricoeur's thought in the complex framework of contemporary life. Starting from the distinction between the *socius* and the neighbor, I will highlight the relational dialectic between the ego and the other. I will then analyze the utopian horizon opened by the ecclesial community, in relation to the tasks of the political educator. Finally, I will examine the presence of the foreigner in the collective space, determining the elements of a poetics of wanting to live together.