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FOREWORD

This study is a revised version of a book, published in February 1990 under the same title, as my Ph.D. thesis at the University of Stockholm.

Revision of an earlier work poses specific problems, some of which deserve mentioning. After the appearance of the first version of this book new literature on related subjects and a new version of the principal Husserl text involved in the discussion have appeared. The newer literature contains both accounts of Twardowski's thought and its relations to Husserl's philosophy, though without referring to my study from 1990, largely because the texts concerned were conceived parallel to it, though published later, or independently of it. It would seem anachronistic, in this situation, to enter into new and extensive discussions with the authors of this literature. The choice made here has been to update the original study, adding references to texts published after my study, and to take account of points of views expressed. I have retained the major part of the basic information given in the 1990 version, although some of it might now be more familiar to interested students than it was in 1990.

Parts of the texts have been largely rewritten, in particular the first four chapters. A somewhat different structure in these parts will, I hope, clarify the problems better than in the first version. Typing as well as other formal errors have been corrected. The substance of the study remains unchanged, but it is inevitable that some of the new formulations and deletions of earlier passages reflect changes in my own positions.

The technical chapter on the Husserl texts has been moved to an appendix in this version of my study.

In the revision of the work I have in particular benefitted from comments and suggestions made by Professor Dick Haglund, Göteborg. I thank Professor Jan Woleński of the Jagellonian University of Cracow for encouraging me to proceed to a revision of the original version of my study.

As for principles of quotation, I have upheld the choice made for the first edition, keeping the original German but translating the Polish texts.