Propositions
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Trust on the line. A philosophical exploration of trust in the networked era.
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1. Trust is a product of the human eccentric positionality.

2. Trust should be analysed in the context of the 4 Cs (context, code, codification, and curation) and not merely focus on the context level.

3. To take the analysis of trust through the conceptual framework of the 4 Cs a step further, one should work in an interdisciplinary team.

4. The invisible visibility that characterizes interactions online may pose a threat to trust.

5.Trust is easy to gain but hard to lose (see this thesis, p.252).

6. Human beings can only be understood in relation to their environment.

7. All interactions are mediated interactions.

8. Philosophy is not about building systems, but about shedding a new light on our beliefs and prepositions.

9. The owl of Minerva can also spread its wings before the falling of dusk.

10. One of the biggest roles of science fiction is to prepare people to accept the future without pain and to encourage a flexibility of mind. Politicians should read science fiction, not westerns and detective stories (Arthur C. Clarke).

11. In order to be creative, you need to be brave.