

FOREWORD

On June 22, 2005, at the theater of the Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo / PUC-SP, the Ordinary General Assembly of the XX Meeting of ANPOLL, chaired by Dr. Elizabeth Brait, president of the Association, decided, among other items, on the theme "The Regional and the Global" for *Revista da ANPOLL*, n°. 20.

Accepting the suggestion of CAPES Director of Assessment that each area should have at least one journal published in English in order to help make relevant works internationally known, the assembly decided that the issue n°. 20 should receive only manuscripts written in English.

Revista da ANPOLL n°. 20, in English, is composed of eight articles, a lecture, an interview and a short history of the journal.

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