

EDITOR'S PREFACE

This volume contains new publications of two essays by Schrödinger “Our Image of Matter”^{*} (1952) and “What is an Elementary Particle?”[†] (1957) and his book *Expanding Universes*[‡] (1956).

The idea of this collection of works by Schrödinger was to present his views on the whole world – from the quantum level to the Universe. This was achieved at a price – unlike the first two essays the third work – the book *Expanding Universes* – is technical.

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^{*}Lecture presented on September 4, 1952. It was originally published in Italian as Chapter 3 in the collection Heisenberg, Born, Schrödinger, Auger, *Discussione sulla fisica moderna* (Paolo Boringhieri Editore, Turin 1960). The English translation of the book by M. Goodman and J. W. Binns appeared two years later – Heisenberg, Born, Schrödinger and Auger, *On Modern Physics* (Collier Books, New York 1962).

[†]Published as Chapter IX in E. Schrödinger, *Science Theory and Man* (George Allen and Unwin Ltd 1957).

[‡]Original publication: Erwin Schroödinger, *Expanding Universes* (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge 1956)