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Sommario/riassunto	In appearance, the anthropology of nature is a sort of oxymoron since, for several centuries in the West, nature has been characterized by the absence of man, and man by what he has been able to overcome naturally. in him. But nature does not exist as a sphere of autonomous realities for all peoples. By postulating a universal distribution of humans and non-humans in two separate ontological domains, we are poorly equipped to analyse all those systems of objectification of the world where a formal distinction between nature and culture is absent. Such a distinction appears, moreover, to go against what the evolutionary and life sciences have taught us about the phyletic continuity of organisms.