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mythological character of our own contemporary meta-narratives

regarding the origins' of Western', Occidental' philosophy. Using an original hermeneutical approach, Luchte excavates the context