Kollektive Identität – Oder: Wer sind wir?

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"Collective Identity" is — in direct correspondence to "Personal Identity" — a dummy concept covering a whole spectrum of different aspects ranging from "Who are we? (Who am I ?)" via "How do we (I) differ from the others?" to "Who would we (I) like to be most?". The main aspects of Collective Identity are spelled out in this Opening Speech — by means of a tiny science fiction story of a young Marsian Lady having gone astray on one of her intergalactical journeys, running into this room and asking us "Who are you?". My main point is that this question asking us for some information is to be strictly seperated from the same question when we it is being asked by ourselves.

I do not go into any explicit comparison with Milcho's Identity-Philosophy as presented in DUST. But some of the similarities may turn out to be obvious in the papers and discussions to follow.