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The bulletin is issued thrice per year by the end of February, June, and November. If you wish to let us know about activities you or your department are planning (conferences, seminars, workshops, and the like) or about important philosophical events that have recently taken place, please contact either your national correspondent or the newsletter editor, Alberto Voltolini <albertov@zeus.vc.unipmn.it>.

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### PAST EVENTS

- **Tractatus logico-philosophicus: Sources, Themes, Perspectives.**

25 – 26 October 2000, Lagopesole (Potenza, Italy)

B. F. McGuinness (Universita' di Siena), *Wittgenstein's Manuscripts and "Works"*, L. Perissinotto (Universita' di Venezia), *L'anima e l'enigma della vita nel Tractatus logico-philosophicus.*, M. Andronico (Universita' di Torino), *Goethean Influences on Wittgenstein's Tractatus*, H. J. Glock (University of Reading), *A Correspondence Theory of Truth?* A. Voltolini (Universita' del Piemonte Orientale), *Possible Objects and States of Affairs*, D. Marconi (Universita'

del Piemonte Orientale), *Verificationism in the Tractatus?*, M. Wrigley (University of Campinas), *Wittgenstein's Battle*

*with Arithmetic: 1929-1930*, E. Rivero (Universita' di Salerno), *The Logic of Russell in the Tractatus*, F. Lo Piparo (Universita' di Palermo), *Verita' e matematica nel Tractatus*, A. da Silva Porto, (University of Rio de Janeiro), *Possibility, Sense and Mathematical Equations in the Tractatus*, J. V. G. Cuter (University of Sao Paulo), *The General*

*Concept of Operation.*

*Organizer:* Pasquale Frascolla, Dipartimento di Scienze Storiche, Linguistiche ed Antropologiche, Universita' della Basilicata, Potenza.

- **PRIMEIRO ENCONTRO GALEGO-PORTUGUÊS DE FILOSOFIA ANALÍTICA**

Santiago de Compostela  
 (Seminário de Lógica - Faculdade de Filosofia - Campus Universitário Sur)  
 October 26/27

October 26

4.30pm

António Zilhão (Universidade de Lisboa): "Principle of Charity and Interpretation"

6.30pm

Juan Vázquez (Universidade de Santiago de Compostela): "Perception and Language: Observation and Validation of Scientific Knowledge"

October 27

10.30am

Fernando Ferreira (Universidade de Lisboa): "Amending Frege's "Grundgesetze der Arithmetik""

12.30am

José Miguel Sagüillo (Universidade de Santiago de Compostela): "Universes, Propositions and Omega Arguments in Peano's and Gödel's Formalizations of Arithmetics"

## FUTURE EVENTS

### CALL FOR PAPERS

- **MODEL-BASED REASONING: SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY, TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION, VALUES (MBR'01)**

Pavia, Italy, May 17-19, 2001.

Up-to date information on the conference will be found at

<http://philos.unipv.it/courses/progra1.html>

or

[http://www.unipv.it/webphilos\\_lab/courses/progra1.html](http://www.unipv.it/webphilos_lab/courses/progra1.html)

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

From Thursday 17 to Saturday 19 May 2001 (three days) the International Conference "MODEL-BASED REASONING. SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY, TECNOLOGICAL INNOVATION, VALUES" will be held at the University of Pavia (near Milan, Italy).

#### PROGRAM

The conference will deal with the logical, epistemological, and cognitive aspects of modeling practices employed in scientific discovery and technological innovation, including computational models of such practices. Abduction is widely recognized as a significant reasoning process in discovery whose features are in need of explication. We will solicit papers that examine various forms of model-based reasoning, such as analogical and visual modeling, from philosophical, historical, sociological, psychological, or computational perspectives. We also plan to address the problem of model-based reasoning in ethics reasoning, especially pertaining to science and technology.

#### RELEVANT RESEARCH AREAS

We shall call for papers that cover topics from the following list:

- abduction
- analogical reasoning
- causal and counterfactual reasoning in model construction
- computational models of model-based reasoning and scientific reasoning
- conceptual combination and theory formation
- hypothetical and explanatory reasoning
- logical analyses that may contribute to our understanding of the issues in model-based reasoning
- model-based reasoning in ethics
- models and manipulative reasoning
- models and technological innovation
- thought experimenting
- visual, spatial, imagistic modeling, reasoning, and simulation

#### SUBMISSIONS OF PAPERS

All submitted papers will be carefully refereed. The precise format of the conference will be fixed after we have an idea of the number of accepted papers. We are thinking in terms of presentations of 40 and 20 minutes. The funding is Italian and US, but we are also looking elsewhere for further financing (and would appreciate any suggestions).

A selected subset will be invited for inclusion (subject to refereeing) in a book which will constitute an advanced handbook for scientists and researchers. The book will be published by an international publishing house. Moreover

another selected subset will be invited for inclusion (subject to refereeing) in special issues of suitable international Journals.

#### FORMAT

Authors must submit three printed copies and an electronic version - formatted in Microsoft Word, RTF, PDF, or Postscript format - of an extended abstract (about 1000 words) not later than November 30, 2000.

Please send electronically the extended abstract to the program chair at the address

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#### REGISTRATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION

Registration Fees:

Before 15 March 2001:

Normal: ITL. 300.000 = appr. US\$ 155 (EUR 154.93)

(to participate in all the activities of the Conference)

Students: Free

After 15 March 2001:

Normal: ITL. 350.000 = appr. US\$ 175 (EUR 180.75)

(to participate in all the activities of the Conference)

Students: Free

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PLEASE REGISTER by email, fax or air mail (before March 15, 2001) by sending PROGRAM CHAIR first and last name, function, institution, full address, phone, fax and email.

For information about paper submission and the program that is not available on the web site, please contact the program chair.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Registration deadline.....15 March 2001

Submission deadline.....30 Nov 2000

Notification of acceptance.....28 Feb 2001

Final papers

(from those selected for publication) due.....30 June 2001

Conference.....17-19 May 2001

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MALPENSA 2000 and OLD MALPENSA Airports (usually people arrive to Malpensa 2000 and not to OLD MALPENSA):

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There are trains from MILAN (Central Station) to PAVIA and viceVersa about every an hour (routes: MILAN-GENOVA; MILAN-VENTIMIGLIA; MILAN-LA SPEZIA; MILAN-SAVONA; MILAN-SESTRI LEVANTE; MILAN-IMPERIA; MILAN-ALBENGA; Pavia is the first stop only if the train is not slow, that is, if it is not, in ITALIAN, "L", locale).

In Pavia there is only one rail station. The easiest way to reach the center of the town is to get off at the station and then take the bus n. 3.

#### ACCOMMODATION

The WEB site of the Tourist Office is

<http://www.systemy.it/pavia/home.html>

(new! sorry, only in Italian). The email address is [info@apt.pv.it](mailto:info@apt.pv.it). When available you will find the whole list of hotels and other information concerning Pavia and its history. See also

[http://www.itwg.com/ct\\_00036.asp](http://www.itwg.com/ct_00036.asp).

In case of accommodation problems remember we will have at our disposal some rooms at special "conference rates" in the Colleges of the University. For further information please contact the Program Chair. As the the conferences dates are very close to summer holidays we recommend making your reservations as early as possible and before March 31, 2000 at the latest.

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- **LOGICA 2001**

The Institute of Philosophy, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, announces the 15<sup>th</sup> event in the series of annual international symposia to be held at Liblice Chateau (in central Bohemia) June 19 - 22, 2001.

Since 1987 the annual LOGICA symposia have become an interdisciplinary platform for discussion on all relevant aspects of logic among both internationally renowned scholars and young researchers. Traditionally, the symposia have no single theme. The official language of the symposium is English.

Contributions devoted to any of the wide range of logical problems are welcome except those focused on specialised technical applications. Particularly welcome are contributions that cover the issues interesting both for 'philosophically' and for 'mathematically' oriented logicians. The deadline for submitting contributed papers is February 28th. The notification of acceptance will be distributed by March 31st.

Selected contributions to LOGICA symposia are published by the Institute's publishing house Filosofia. Recent volumes collecting the contributions include, among others, papers from Nuel Belnap, Paul Benacerraf, Johan van Benthem, Jaakko Hintikka, David Lewis, Barbara Partee, Graham Priest, Wlodek Rabinowicz, Michael Resnik, Jay Rosenberg, Mark Sainsbury, Gabriel Sandu, Stewart Shapiro, Göran Sundholm, and Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer.

There is a registration fee for the symposium covering full board and lodging at the Liblice Chateau during the symposium, travel expenses from Prague to Liblice and back, and a copy of the volume containing most of the contributions to the symposium. The fee amounts to US\$ 250 for participants or US\$ 200 for accompanying persons (volume not included).

If you are interested in reading a paper at the symposium, please send us a two-page abstract of the paper accompanied by a separate sheet with your name, contact address, and affiliation to the address below by February 28th, 2001. E-mail submissions of postscript, MS Word or WordPerfect files are possible. Those who might have problems covering the expenses connected with taking part in the symposium are invited to apply for a grant. The organising committee will cover the registration fee for up to five selected applicants. The successful applicants will also receive 200 US\$ for their travel expenses. Those who wish to apply for the grant should explicitly state this when submitting their abstract, which should be extended to five pages.

For up-to-date information visit: <http://www.flu.cas.cz/Logica/Logica2001-1.htm>

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- **II BARCELONA WORKSHOP ON ISSUES IN THE THEORY OF REFERENCE**

Special topic: BI-DIMENTIONALISM

Dates: June 28- 30, 2001.

Invited speakers will include:

David Chalmers (University of Arizona)

Mike Martin (University College London)

Robert Stalnaker (MIT)

Deadline for receipt of submissions: February 5, 2001

The Second Barcelona Workshop on Issues in the Theory of Reference will be held at the University of Barcelona on June 28-30, 2001. This second edition of the Barcelona Workshop will be devoted to the discussion of the bi-dimensionalist framework regarding the relationship between context and content. This general framework, which has its roots in Saul Kripke's 'Naming and Necessity', is developed in such works as David Kaplan's "Demonstratives" (1989), Robert Stalnaker's "Assertion" (1978) and Martin Davies & I.L. Humberstone's "Two notions of necessity" (1980). Some applications of the framework are found, for instance, in David Chalmers' "The Conscious Mind" (1996) and Frank Jackson's 'From Metaphysics to Ethics' (1998).

Submissions are invited for 40-minute presentations (with 15 additional minutes for discussion). Submitted papers will be refereed and selected on the basis of general quality and relevance to the special topic of the workshop. Papers on all topics in the theory of reference will be considered though preference will be given to those dealing with bi-dimensionalism.

Authors should submit a 1000-1500 word summary of their paper.

Authors' names, postal address, affiliation, status (faculty/student), phone number, e-mail address and paper title should be given separately. Please send a hard copy of the submissions to the postal address below and, IN ADDITION, an electronic version plain ASCII-text in DOS-Format to

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II Barcelona Workshop on Reference

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Authors of accepted papers agree to submit a written version for publication. This does not mean, however, that their papers will automatically be published.

The organisers will cover the hotel expenses of the authors of accepted papers. Unfortunately we can not cover as well their travel expenses.

Deadline for receipt of submission is Monday, February 5, 2001.

- **Third International Conference on Modeling and Using Context**

Dundee, Scotland

July 27-30, 2001

<http://www.context.umcs.maine.edu/CONTEXT-01>

The Third International and Interdisciplinary Conference on Modeling and Using Context (CONTEXT'01) aims at providing a high quality forum for discussions on context among researchers active in Artificial Intelligence, Cognitive Science, Computer Science, Linguistics, Organizational Sciences, Philosophy, and Psychology.

The importance of the notion of context is widely acknowledged, as evidenced by the numerous workshops, symposia, and seminars on context held recently (see the Context Web Site). The CONTEXT series of conferences has a Unique place among these due to its strong emphasis on interdisciplinary research.

The first conference in this series (CONTEXT'97) was held in Rio de Janeiro in 1997. The second conference (CONTEXT'99) was held in Trento in 1999; see <http://www.cs.unitn.it/CONTEXT-99> for details.

#### TOPICS OF INTEREST

The following topics, in which contexts can be studied and/or applied, are thought to be indicative of the scope of the conference:

- \* Case-Based Reasoning
- \* Cognitive Modeling
- \* Commonsense Reasoning
- \* (Active) Databases
- \* Decision Support Systems
- \* Distributed Information Systems
- \* Formal Theories of Context
- \* Heterogeneous Information Integration
- \* Human-Computer Interaction
- \* Information Management
- \* Intelligent Internet Systems
- \* Intelligent Tutoring Systems
- \* Knowledge Engineering
- \* Knowledge Management
- \* Knowledge Representation
- \* Machine Learning
- \* Multi-Agent Systems
- \* Natural Language Processing
- \* Natural Language Semantics
- \* Organizational Contexts
- \* Philosophical Foundations
- \* Pragmatics

Needless to say, this is not an exhaustive list; other contributions on context are welcome.

#### PUBLICATION PLANS

As in CONTEXT'99, the Proceedings of CONTEXT'01 will be published by Springer-Verlag as a volume in their series "Lecture Notes in Artificial Intelligence (LNAI)" (subseries of "Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS)"; visit <http://www.springer.de/comp/lncs/index.html> for the LNCS/LNAI home page) and will be distributed to the registered participants during the conference. Publication of an accepted paper in the Proceedings will be conditional upon two things: presentation of the paper during the conference and registration of at least one of its authors at the conference.

#### SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

CONTEXT'01 is meant to provide an interdisciplinary forum. All submissions, in addition to being evaluated for their technical and theoretical merit, will be evaluated for their strength to be accessible to an interdisciplinary community. Accordingly, works that transcend their disciplinary boundaries are especially encouraged.

Each submission will be evaluated by three referees.

Submissions must include in their first page: title, author's name, affiliation, complete mailing address, phone/fax numbers, email, and an abstract. Prospective authors are strongly advised to see the sample paper

at:

\* <http://www.springer.de/comp/lncs/instruct/typeinst.pdf> or

\* <http://www.springer.de/comp/lncs/instruct/typeinst.ps>

to have a precise idea of the formatting requirements. It is especially crucial to observe that papers cannot be longer than 14 pages. Detailed information is available at

<http://www.springer.de/comp/lncs/authors.html>.

Only electronic submissions (PostScript or pdf file only, named with the first author's name and last name, e.g. John-Doe.ps or John-Doe.pdf) are acceptable. It would be wise to use a well-known compression utility (e.g. compress or gzip) before a paper is emailed. If one foresees problems in submitting his/her paper in one of the allowed electronic formats and would like to send hardcopy instead, then he/she should send email to one of the Program Co-Chairs well in advance of the submission deadline and seek advice. LNCS is now published, in parallel to the printed books, in full-text electronic version and therefore the electronic files are indispensable.

Submitted papers should be received by the Conference Chair no later than February 2, 2001:

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#### SPECIALIZED WORKSHOPS

CONTEXT'01 expands the spectrum of CONTEXT'97 and CONTEXT'99 in that specialized workshops are planned to let participants discuss emerging, narrow, and technical issues related to context. Proposals for specialized workshops should be sent to the Workshops Chair by March 2, 2001:

Massimo Benerecetti

CONTEXT'01 Workshops Chair

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Massimo.Benerecetti@na.infn.it

A proposal should comprise the following items: workshop title, address and short bio of the workshop director, one-page synopsis of the workshop, addresses of workshop speakers who have already committed themselves to making a presentation, tentative titles of the presentations. It is up to the workshop director to decide whether the workshop speakers also prepare written accounts of their presentations.

In any case, there will not be a formal written record of the workshops.

A workshop director is free to prepare an informal report or a collection of handouts incorporating the material discussed in his/her workshop.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Paper submission deadline February 2, 2001

Workshop proposal submission deadline March 2, 2001

Notification of acceptance/rejection for all submissions April 2, 2001

Deadline for final versions of accepted papers (LNAI format) May 4, 2001

Conference July 27-30, 2001

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- **Twenty-third Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society**

August 1 - 4, 2001

University of Edinburgh, Scotland

<http://www.hcrc.ed.ac.uk/cogsci2001>

Call for Papers:

Cognitive Science pursues a scientific understanding of the mind through all available methodologies, notably those of anthropology, artificial intelligence, computer science, education, linguistics, logic, neuroscience, philosophy and psychology, in whatever combinations are most appropriate to the topic at hand. The focus of this year's conference will be to represent the full breadth of research in the cognitive sciences, in ways that will lead to useful mutual interaction.

All contributions should be addressed to an interdisciplinary audience.

Deadline for RECEIPT of all submissions: Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2001

- **24th International Wittgenstein Symposium**

12–18 August 2001

Kirchberg am Wechsel, Lower Austria

*Wittgenstein and the Future of Philosophy*

*A Reassessment after 50 Years*

Sections and Panels:

1. Situating Wittgenstein
2. Ethics, Psychology and Aesthetics
3. Logics and Mathematics

4. Wittgenstein and the Theory of Culture

5. Wittgenstein's Life and Editions of his Work

Panel: *Tractatus logico-philosophicus*

Panel: *Philosophical Investigations*

Organizing Institution:

The Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society

Organization and Scientific Direction:

Rudolf Haller, Klaus Puhl

(Department of Philosophy, University of Graz, Austria)

Speakers:

A. BILETZKI (Tel Aviv), J. BOUVERESSE (Paris), S. CAVELL (Harvard), J. CONANT (Chicago), R. EGIDI (Rome), J. FLOYD (Boston), H. J. GLOCK (Reading), W. GOLDFARB (Harvard), L. HERTZBERG (Abo), J. HINTIKKA (Boston), D. JACQUETTE (Pennsylvania), A. KEMMERLING (Munich), W. KIENZLER (Jena), W. LÜTTERFELDS (Passau), R. LÜTHE (Koblenz), J. McDOWELL (Pittsburgh), M. MCGINN (York), B. MCGUINNESS (Siena), R. RAATZSCH (Leipzig), J. SCHULTE (Bielefeld), D. STERN (Berkeley), E. V. SAVIGNY (Bielefeld), A. STROLL (San Diego), W. VOSSENKUHL (München), M. WILLIAMS (Northwestern); u.a.

Call for Papers:

For an application form plus guidelines for papers (deadline: 30 April 2001) please contact: The Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society, Markt 63, A-2880 Kirchberg am Wechsel, Austria, Europe, Phone and Fax: +43 2641 2557. The conference languages are English and German. Accepted papers will be published before the start of the symposium.

*For further information over the coming months, please consult:*

<http://www.sbg.ac.at/phs/alws/wittgenstein01.htm>

- **FOIS-2001**  
**International Conference on Formal Ontology in Information Systems**

(<http://www.fois.org>)

October 17-19, 2001 (provisional date)

Boston, MA

Description:

Research on ontology is becoming increasingly widespread in the computer science community. Its importance has been recognized in fields as diverse as e-commerce, enterprise and information integration, qualitative modelling of physical systems, natural language processing, knowledge engineering, database design, geographic information science, libraries, and intelligent information access. Insights in this field have potential impact on the whole area of information systems. In order to provide a solid general foundation for this work, it is important to focus on the common scientific principles and open problems arising from current tools, methodologies, and applications of ontology.

We envision FOIS to be a unique gathering whose essential character is strongly interdisciplinary, and truly unlike any other conference. The program committee includes representatives of three broad disciplines: computer and information science, philosophy, and linguistics, and includes researchers from sub-areas as diverse as formal ontology, knowledge engineering, logic, database design, natural language processing, library science, knowledge representation, descriptive metaphysics, and geographic information systems. Although the primary focus of the conference is on theoretical issues,

methodological proposals as well as papers dealing with concrete applications from a well-founded theoretical perspective are welcome. We also encourage those interested in top-level ontologies, web and e-commerce content standards, and enterprise modeling to participate.

Topics:

We seek high-quality papers on a wide range of topics. While authors may focus on fairly narrow and specific issues, all papers should emphasize the relevance of the work described to formal ontology and to information systems. Papers that completely ignore one or the other of these aspects will be considered out of scope. Topic areas of particular interest to the conference are: (1) Theoretical Issues, (2) Application Areas, and (3) Tools and Methodologies

(1) Theoretical Issues

\* Foundations: mereology, constitution, identity, integrity, dependence, causality, vagueness, granularity \* Kinds of entity: particulars vs. universals, continuants vs. occurrents, abstracta vs. concreta, attributes, relations, qualities, quantities, events, tropes or moments, states, situations, environment \* Matter, space, time, motion, change \* Natural kinds, organisms, artifacts \* The ontology of social reality: legal and administrative entities, artistic expressions \* The ontology of information, information processing, and software products \* Cognitive foundations of ontologies, elicited

ontologies, cross-cultural ontologies \* Kinds of ontology: top-level ontologies, domain ontologies, task ontologies, application ontologies

(2) Application Areas

\* Knowledge organization, integration and standardization \* Intelligent information access \* B2C and B2B e-commerce

\* Information systems design \* Knowledge engineering \* Conceptual modelling \* Qualitative modelling \* Lexical semantics \* Terminology integration \* Product knowledge integration \* Geographic information systems \* Legal information systems \* Business information systems

(3) Tools and Methodologies

\* Ontological and linguistic instruments for conceptual analysis \* Methodologies for ontology development, maintenance, and integration

Deadlines: electronic abstracts are due by 11 April, 2001, Final submissions are due by 17 April, 2001

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## **CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **FOUNDATIONS OF THE FORMAL SCIENCES II**  
**FOTFS II**  
**APPLICATIONS OF MATHEMATICAL LOGIC IN PHILOSOPHY AND LINGUISTICS**

RHEINISCHE FRIEDRICH-WILHELMS-UNIVERSITAET BONN  
 MATHEMATISCHES INSTITUT & PHILOSOPHISCHES SEMINAR LFB III  
 HTTP://WWW.MATH.UNI-BONN.DE/PEOPLE/FOTFS/  
 NOVEMBER 10TH TO 13TH, 2000

"FOUNDATIONS OF THE FORMAL SCIENCES" (FOTFS) IS A SERIES OF INTERDISCIPLINARY CONFERENCES IN MATHEMATICS, PHILOSOPHY, COMPUTER SCIENCE AND LINGUISTICS. THE MAIN GOAL IS TO REESTABLISH THE TRADITIONALLY STRONG LINKS BETWEEN THESE AREAS OF RESEARCH THAT HAVE BEEN LOST IN THE PAST DECADES.

THE TALKS OF THE CONFERENCES WILL BE ADDRESSED AT A GENERAL AUDIENCE, BUT THEIR OBJECTIVE IS TO TEACH TECHNIQUES AND METHODS FROM THE DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE FORMAL SCIENCES TO RESEARCHERS FROM OTHER PARTS.

FOTFS II WITH THE SUBTITLE "APPLICATIONS OF MATHEMATICAL LOGIC IN PHILOSOPHY AND LINGUISTICS" WILL BRING SPEAKERS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE FORMAL SCIENCES TOGETHER TO GIVE A HOLISTIC VIEW OF HOW MATHEMATICAL METHODS CAN IMPROVE OUR PHILOSOPHICAL AND TECHNICAL UNDERSTANDING OF LANGUAGE AND SCIENTIFIC DISCOURSE, RANGING FROM THE THEORETICAL LEVEL UP TO APPLICATIONS IN LANGUAGE RECOGNITION SOFTWARE.

THE CONFERENCE WILL BE ORGANIZED IN SIX SECTIONS:

- (A) MODAL LOGIC
- (B) PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE
- (C) THEORY OF TRUTH & DEFINABILITY
- (D) PHILOSOPHY OF MATHEMATICS
- (E) SET THEORY & MODEL THEORY IN LINGUISTICS
- (F) RECURSION THEORY & PROOF THEORY IN LINGUISTICS

EACH SECTION WILL HAVE TWO INVITED SPEAKERS (ONE HOUR TALKS) AND THREE CONTRIBUTED TALKS (30 MINUTE TALKS). THE LIST OF INVITED SPEAKERS INCLUDES A. BALTAG (AMSTERDAM), A. BARBEROUSSE (PARIS), J. VAN BENTHEM (AMSTERDAM), L. HORSTEN (LEUVEN), M. KRACHT (BERLIN), K.-U. KUEHNBERGER (TUEBINGEN), M. PIAZZA (ROMA), M. ROTTER (KOELN), TH. SCHWENTICK (MAINZ), H.-J. TIEDE (BLOOMINGTON IL), L. VAN DER TORRE (AMSTERDAM). ALL TALKS WILL BE GIVEN TO A GENERAL AUDIENCE OF MATHEMATICIANS, LOGICIANS, PHILOSOPHERS AND LINGUISTS.

THERE WILL BE A PROCEEDINGS VOLUME WITH REFEREED PAPERS OF THE INVITED SPEAKERS. WE PLAN TO RESERVE SOME SPACE FOR EXTENDED ABSTRACTS (3 TO 5 PAGES) OF THE CONTRIBUTED PAPERS SUBJECT TO A REFEREEING PROCESS.

WE SHALL COLLECT A CONFERENCE FEE OF DM 30 (= \$ 15) COVERING MATERIAL AND OTHER EXPENSES. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE ORGANIZERS VIA FOTFS@MATH.UNI-BONN.DE

BENEDIKT LOEWE (BONN)  
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- **Belief Ascription**

University of San Marino  
 Department of Semiotic and Cognitive Studies  
 International Center for Semiotic and Cognitive Studies  
 Antico Monastero Santa Chiara  
 Contrada Omerelli, 20  
 December 15-17, 2000

Program:  
 Friday 15  
 15.00

Stephen Schiffer *New York University*

[On the logical form of belief ascriptions: That-clauses as referring expressions](#)

Andreas Kemmerling *University of Heidelberg*

[Belief-ascription: Objective sentences and soft facts](#)

José Luis Bermúdez *University of Stirling*

[Thought without language: Ascribing beliefs to non-linguistic creatures](#)

Christopher Gauker *University of Cincinnati*

Attitudes without psychology


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 Saturday 16

9.00

Dan Sperber *CREA, Paris***Cultural beliefs**Josef Perner *University of Salzburg***False belief and the perspectival relativity of sortals**François Recanati *CREA, Paris***Belief ascription, simulation, and opacity**

15.00

Maurice Bloch *London School of Economics***Belief ascription as an ethnographic problem**Nick Chater *University of Warwick***Belief ascription and cognitive science: A fundamental divide in the explanation of human behavior**William F. Hanks *Northwestern University***Belief ascriptions and the social production of belief**Marina Sbisà *University of Trieste***Belief reports: What role for contexts?**


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 Sunday 17

9.00

Lynne Rudder Baker *University of Massachusetts at Amherst***Belief ascription and the illusion of depth**Marco Santambrogio *University of Parma***The belief box and the justification of deduction**Adam Morton *University of Bristol***Saving belief from (internalist) epistemology**


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 Tuition fee: 200.000 Italian Lire

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- **SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SOCIAL COMMUNICATION, CENTER OF APPLIED LINGUISTICS**

On its 30th Anniversary. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, JANUARY 23-26, 2001.

The Center of Applied Linguistics of the Santiago de Cuba's branch of the Ministry of Science, Technology and the Environment, is pleased to announce on the occasion of its 30 Anniversary, the Seventh International Symposium on Social Communication. The event will be held in Santiago de Cuba January 23rd through the 26th, 2001. This interdisciplinary event will focus on social communication processes from the points of view of Applied Linguistics, Computational Linguistics, Medicine, Voice, Processing, Mass Media, and Ethnology and Folklore.

The Symposium will be also sponsored by: University of Oriente, Cuba; Higher Institute for Medical Sciences, Santiago de Cuba; Pedagogical University 'Frank Pais', Santiago de Cuba; Information for Development Agency, Cuba; University of Twente, The Netherlands; National Council of Scientific Research, Italy; University of Leon, Spain; University of Malaga, Spain; University of Granada, Spain; Humboldt University, Germany.

MASTER LECTURES : Prof. Dr. Anton Nijholt, Professor and Researcher, Twente University, Enschede, Holland. Dr. Hiroto Ueda, Professor and Researcher, Department of Spanish, Tokyo University, Japan. Dr. Mercedes Cathcart Roca, Professor and Researcher, Faculty of Humanities, University of Oriente, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba. Dr. Manuel Vilares Ferro, Professor and Researcher, Vigo University, Spain.

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- **Logic and Metaphysics**

May or September 2001 - Genoa

An international conference on the topic “*Logic and Metaphysics*” will be held in Genoa either in May or September 2001. Among invited speakers: A. Grayling (U. of London), I. Rumfitt (U. of Oxford), M. Devitt (City U. of New York), I. Wolenski (U. of Krakow), P. Parrini (U. of Florence), E. Agazzi (U. of Genoa), E. Casari (U. of Pisa). Other speakers are due to confirm their presence and more information will follow. Organizer: Michele Marsonet ([marsonet@nous.unige.it](mailto:marsonet@nous.unige.it)).

- **KARL POPPER 2002  
CENTENARY CONGRESS**

Wednesday, 3 July 2002 – Sunday, 7 July 2002

*First Announcement*

An international Congress will take place in Vienna in July 2002, to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Karl Popper (1902-1994). It will be organized by the *Karl Popper Institut*, together with the University of Vienna, the City of Vienna, and the Austrian Ministry of Science.

It is expected that the Congress will cover all aspects of Popper’s thought, including Scientific Method, Logic, Probability Theory, Quantum Mechanics, Critical Rationalism, Social and Political Philosophy, Liberalism, Platonism, Marxism, Moral Philosophy, Objective Knowledge, Darwinism, Evolutionary Epistemology, Philosophy of History, the Pre-Socratics, the Body-Mind Problem, and the Psychology of Learning. Some sessions of the Congress will be devoted to biographical topics, including his youthful enthusiasms in music, education, and political action.

Karl Popper 2002 will be open to all those with an interest in Popper’s philosophy, and it is hoped that many of those who know of his work only through his books and interviews will be able to participate. Karl Popper 2002 has no affiliations with any political organization in Austria or elsewhere.

The Congress languages will be English and German. The Congress will be held in the form of plenary lectures, contributed papers, and symposia (facilitating controversial discussions). An exhibition on the life of Karl Popper is in preparation. Social and cultural events are planned.

The Congress steering committee is: Erich Kadlec (Karl Popper Institut), Erhard Oeser (University of Vienna), David Miller (University of Warwick), Ian Jarvie (York University, Toronto), and Gerhard Budin (Karl Popper Institut, Executive Secretary for the Congress).

A second (electronic) announcement will be made later this year. For this purpose, please let us know your e-mail address! A Call for Papers will be circulated in the year 2001, together with registration and booking forms.

For more information and for expressions of interest, please contact Gerhard Budin at the University of Vienna, Department for Philosophy of Science, Sensengasse 8/10, A-1090 Vienna (Fax: +43-1-4277-9476) preferably by e-mail: [gerhard.budin@karlpopperinstitut.org](mailto:gerhard.budin@karlpopperinstitut.org). Please visit our website at <http://www.karlpopperinstitut.org>.

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*Schwarzenbergstr. 8, A-1010 Vienna*

- **The Neurological Basis of Language:  
An Interdisciplinary Conference on Aphasiological, Computational, and Neuroimaging Approaches**

July 9-11, 2001  
Groningen, The Netherlands

Further details: WWW: <http://www.let.rug.nl/nbl/> or: E-mail: [nbl@let.rug.nl](mailto:nbl@let.rug.nl)

## SEMINAR AND WORKSHOP PROGRAMMES

- **SELFCONSCIOUSNESS  
(Selbstbewusstsein / Conscience-de-soi)**

UNIVERSITÉ DE FRIBOURG SUISSE / UNIVERSITÄT FREIBURG SCHWEIZ  
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 Tel. 026 / 300 7524, Fax 026 / 300 9786, e-mail: [philosophie@unifr.ch](mailto:philosophie@unifr.ch)  
 Freitag / Vendredi, le 24 novembre 2000, Université, Miséricorde

Raum / Salle: 2124

9.15 - 11.00 h Lynne R. Baker University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA The Difference that Self-Consciousness Makes

11.15 - 13.00 h Johannes Roessler Intentional Action and Self-Awareness

University of Warwick, GB

Raum / Salle: 2113 (Salon des professeurs)

14.30 - 16.15 h Lucy O'Brien On Knowing One's Own Actions

University College London, GB

Pause

16.45 - 18.30 José L. Bermúdez Sources of Self-Consciousness

University of Stirling, GB

Samstag / Samedi, le 25 novembre 2000, Université, Miséricorde

Raum / Salle: 4112 (Salle Jäggi)

09.15 - 11.00 Jérôme Dokic Self-Consciousness and Reflexivity

Université de Rouen, Université de la Sorbonne, Paris

11.15 - 13.00 Christoph Hoerl Some Thoughts about Thought-Insertion

University of Warwick, GB

15.15 - 17.00 Nenad Miscevic University of Maribor, Slovenia

Self-Knowledge in Epistemology

Der Workshop ist für alle Interessenten offen

Le workshop est ouvert à toutes les personnes intéressées

Prof. Dr. Martine Nida-Rümelin

Lehrstuhl für Philosophie des Menschen und der Humanwissenschaften

Chaire de philosophie de l'Homme et des sciences humaines

Prof. Dr. Gianfranco Soldati

Lehrstuhl für neuzeitliche und zeitgenössische Philosophie

Chaire de philosophie moderne et contemporaine

- **AFTER LOGICAL EMPIRICISM**  
**PETRUS HISPANUS LECTURES 2000 - LISBON**

Richard Jeffrey (Princeton)

"Radical Probabilism"

December 5th - 4pm

Anfiteatro do Complexo Interdisciplinar da Universidade de Lisboa

"Collaborative Epistemology"

December 7th - 4pm

Sala de Mestrados da Faculdade de Letras da Universidade de Lisboa

Event organized by Sociedade Portuguesa de Filosofia (SPF)

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- **SEMANTIC ACTS, INTENTIONS & LANGUAGES**

Discussions on and with

WAYNE DAVIS

Saturday, Dec 16, 2000

University of Leipzig, Philosophy Department, Burgstr. 21

H. P. Grice conceived two programs concerning the foundations of semantics. The first was his project of defining word meaning in terms of speaker meaning and speaker meaning in terms of intention. The second was his theory of implicatures. Wayne Davis (Washington) is one of the most prominent researchers in the discussion of both of these programs. Cf. *Implicature, Intention, Convention, and Principle in the Failure of Gricean Theory*, CUP, 1998; and *Meaning, Expression, and Thought*, forthcoming.

Grice's two programs are also in the focus of interest of the Research Group KOMMUNIKATIVES VERSTEHEN at Leipzig University. Therefore, W. Davis will be Invited Research Professor working with this group in December (6-20).

Everybody who is interested in (W. Davis's & the Research Group's work on) Grice's programs is welcome to join us in our discussions - esp. on Dec 16, when we will have an open (and open ended) discussion workshop, starting at 9 a.m.

Implicatures have already been the topic of our GAP4-workshop; thus, although further comments on Implicatures will certainly be welcome, this time we will focus mainly on (W. Davis's and our's views of) the gricean intentionalist meaning-program. For this purpose (thanks to the author) an e-mail copy of the first chapters of W. Davis's forthcoming *Meaning, Expression, and Thought* will be sent to all those who declare to attend the workshop.

Unfortunately we have no money available to fund this workshop. The most we can offer is a 2 nights stay in our university's guesthouse or private accommodation. The discussion group should not include more than 25 participants; having reached that number, the registration list will be closed. Giving a talk is not a necessary condition for taking part in the workshop. However some short statements would be fine.

Are you interested? Then you can find much more information about the Research Group via: <http://www.uni-leipzig.de/~fky> . There will also be a list of participants of the workshop updated every week or so from Oct 15th onwards. And here is the address at which you should register and tell us whether (and for how many nights) you would like accommodation (hotel, guest-house, private) reserved: [meggale@uni-leipzig.de](mailto:meggale@uni-leipzig.de) .

Deadline for free housing application: Dec 4th

- **University of London**

Enquires: [philprog@sas.ac.uk](mailto:philprog@sas.ac.uk)

FRI 17 & SAT 18 NOV: two times one-day fee

MODERN POETRY AND PREJUDICE

John Armstrong (School of Advanced Study)

Alan Jenkins (Deputy Editor, TLS)

Robert Eaglestone

Gabriel Josipovici (Sussex)

Jonathan Keates (City of London School)

Roger Scruton (Birkbeck College)

Blake Morrison

Peter Porter

Elaine Feinstein

FRI 8 DEC: TRUTH IN FREGE

Joan Weiner (Wisconsin & Programme Fellow)

Ian Rumfitt (University College, Oxford)

Peter Sullivan (Stirling)

FRI 26 JAN: ATTENTION AND CONSCIOUSNESS

in collaboration with the AHRB consciousness and self-consciousness project

speakers include

Naomi Eilan (Warwick)

Johannes Roessler (Warwick)

FRI 23 FEB: THE PHILOSOPHY OF J. L. AUSTIN

Mark Kaplan (Wisconsin & Programme Fellow)

Ken Gemes (Birkbeck College)

David Pears

FRI 9 MAR: KNOWLEDGE AND ITS LIMITS

Timothy Williamson (New College, Oxford)

Stephen Yablo (MIT)

Elizabeth Fricker (Oxford)

FRI 16 MAR: BEING-IN-LONDON:

ANGLOPHONE AND EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY OF MIND no fee  
speakers include  
Grahame Lock (Nijmegen & Oxford)

FRI 23 MAR: SOVEREIGN VIRTUE  
Ronald Dworkin (NYU & UCL)  
Michael Otsuka (UCL)  
Matthew Clayton (Brunel)  
Robert van der Veen (Warwick)  
Marc Fleurbaey (University de Pau, France)  
Andrew Williams (Warwick)

FRI 1 JUN: SPACE AND TIME IN ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY  
speakers include  
Sarah Broadie (Princeton)  
Thomas Johansen (Bristol)  
Ben Morison (Corpus Christi, Oxford)

FRI 15 JUN: INTENTION AND AGENCY  
Michael Bratman (Stanford)  
Jennifer Hornsby (Birkbeck College)  
Tom Pink (KCL)

- **GENEVA & NEUCHATEL**

Postgraduate course on the LUMIERES ECOSSAISES which will be taught at Geneva and Neuchatel in Summer 2001.

The 5-day colloquium which is a part of the course will have David Wiggins as the star turn.

Le Séminaire de philosophie de l'Université de Neuchâtel et le Département de philosophie de l'Université de Genève proposent un programme d'études postgrades, composé de quatre séminaires hebdomadaires ayant lieu tous les 15 jours les mercredis et jeudis, du mercredi 14 mars au jeudi 7 juin 2001.

Kevin Mulligan (Université de Geneve) : *Les émotions celttes*

Daniel Schulthess (Université de Neuchâtel) : *Les sources cognitive et Bemotive de l'action: analyse psychologique et changement social selon les philosophes écossais*

Richard Glauser (Université de Neuchâtel) : *L'esthétique des Lumieres ecossaises*

Bernard Baertschi (Université de Geneve) : *La morale ecossaise.*

Les séminaires seront suivis d'un colloque de 5 jours au Château de Münchenwiler, du 13 au 17 juin, consacré a' des enseignements intensifs avec des interventions de plusieurs spécialistes e'trangers.

Les participants doivent être détenteurs d'une licence en philosophie oud'un titre jugé équivalent et être en mesure de suivre un enseignement avancé en français. Quelques bourses sont disponibles.

Date limite pour les inscriptions au IIIème cycle : le 31 janvier 2001.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

### JOBS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND ESSAY PRIZES FOR PHILOSOPHERS

- **JOBS ON THE NET**

Information on jobs in philosophy can be found in the web at [www.sozialwiss.uni-hamburg.de/phil/ag/jobs/](http://www.sozialwiss.uni-hamburg.de/phil/ag/jobs/)

- **Cognitive Science**

University of Osnabrueck

<http://www.cogsci.uni-osnabrueck.de/>

3 vacancies for the position of

**Lecturer / Researcher (VergGr. BAT IIa)**

are to be filled at the earliest opportunity.

**1. Cognitive Psychology (Code KP2000/1)**

Duration: 3 years

Description: Involves teaching in Cognitive Science as well as participation in research projects, e.g., in the fields of text understanding and net-based knowledge communication.

Requirements: A research-orientated university degree in psychology with an emphasis on experimental psychology as well as very good written and spoken English is expected. A specialisation in the field of cognitive psychology as well as cognitive modelling and / or neuropsychology are advantageous.

Information from: Prof. Dr. Franz Schmalhofer/ Email: Franz.Schmalhofer@uni-osnabrück.de

**2. Computational Linguistics (Code CL 2000/2)**

Duration: Initially 3 years, with the possibility of an extension up to 5 years

Description: Involves teaching in Cognitive Science with emphasis on computational linguistics as well as participation in research projects of the Institute for Semantic Information Processing, primarily in the fields of semantics, discourse, or lexicon.

Requirements: A university degree in linguistics / computational linguistics or a related discipline with very good knowledge of linguistics or computational linguistics as well as very good knowledge of English is expected.

Information from: Prof. Dr. Peter Bosch/ Email: pbosch@uni-osnabrück.de

**3. Artificial Intelligence (Code KI 2000/3)**

Duration: 5 years

Description: Involves teaching in Cognitive Science with emphasis on artificial intelligence as well as working on research projects of the Institute for Semantic Information Processing, primarily in the fields of user modelling and intelligent search.

Requirements: A university degree in computer science / artificial intelligence or a related discipline with very good knowledge of artificial intelligence as well as very good knowledge of English is expected.

Information from: Prof. Dr. Claus Rollinger/ Email: Claus.Rollinger@uni-osnabrück.de

In all three positions there is the opportunity to achieve further academic qualifications (PhD / Habilitation).

The option for part-time employment will be dealt with on an individual basis. The University of Osnabrück strives for an increase in the number of women in academic employment. Women are therefore especially encouraged to submit their applications and will be preferentially considered provided they are equally qualified.

Disabled candidates qualified to the same standard will be preferred.

Applications with the usual documentation are to be submitted, no later than 24.11.2000, to the Director of the Institute for Semantic Information Processing, Universität Osnabrück, 49069 Osnabrück with reference made to the respective code number.

- **Postgraduate Opportunities at the Institute for the Study of Biorisks & Society**

The University of Nottingham has long been a centre of excellence for its research in clinical and biological sciences and their associated technologies. In recognition of the growing importance of the social, legal and ethical contexts for the application of these developments, the University is creating an Institute for the Study of Biorisks and Society (IBiS). The Institute will develop a new partnership between scholars from the social sciences, law and humanities and their colleagues in medicine, plant and animal science, environmental studies, food technologies and genetics.

The Institute will be offering a range of postgraduate opportunities in the social sciences and humanities. These will be advertised in January 2001, but anyone interested in receiving further information when available is invited to register their interest by Email: [ibis@Nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:ibis@Nottingham.ac.uk).

**BOOKS**

**Michele Marsonet** (ed.), *The Problem of Realism*, Aldershot-London, Ashgate, to be published in January 2001.

This is a collection of essays on the problem of realism, both metaphysical and scientific, which were delivered at the international conference "The Problem of Realism" (Genoa, 29-30 November 1999). The following is the table of contents: "Introduction" (M. Marsonet, U. of Genoa), "A Naturalistic Defense of Realism" (M. Devitt, City U. of New York), "Metaphysical and Scientific Realism" (E. Agazzi, U. of Genoa), "Realism, Method and Truth" (H. Sankey, U. of Melbourne), "Reference and Realism in Scientific Theories" (D. Papineau, U. of London), "A Realistic Account of Causation" (W.C. Salmon, U. of Pittsburgh), "Realism and Anti-Realism from an Epistemological Point of View" (P. Parrini, U. of Florence), "Realism vs Nominalism about the Dispositional/Non-Dispositional Distinction", (M. Sainsbury, U. of London), "The Real Distinction Between Persons and Their Bodies" (C. Hughes, U. of London).

**JOURNALS**

- **ELECTRONIC JOURNALS**

<http://www.dla.utexas.edu/depts/philosophy/faculty/causey/>

This is a page where different electronic journals are dealt with. Among the journals mentioned are :

*Psyche*: <http://www.phil.vt.edu/ASSC/>

The official journal of the Association for the Scientific Study of Consciousness. Its editors are Patrick Wilken and Kevin Korb (Department of Computer Sciences, Monash University, Victoria, Australia).

*Analyst*: <http://www.shef.ac.uk/uni/academic>

[/N-Q/phil/analysis/homepage.html](http://www.shef.ac.uk/uni/academic/N-Q/phil/analysis/homepage.html)

Edited by Peter Smith (Department of Philosophy, University of Sheffield, UK).

*Hyle: An international Journal for the Philosophy of Chemistry*: <http://www.uni-karlsruhe.de/~philosophie/hyle.html>

### **Etica e politica**

[http://www.univ.trieste.it/~dipfilo/etica\\_e\\_politica/index.htm](http://www.univ.trieste.it/~dipfilo/etica_e_politica/index.htm)

Index of *Etica e Politica / Ethics & Politics*, Vol. II, n. 1

Roberto Mordacci, *Internal to what? A critique of the distinction between internal and external reasons for action*

Università "Vita & Salute S. Raffaele", Dipartimento di Psicologia.

Cristopher Cowley, *Forgiving the Unrepentant*

University of Bristol, Department of Philosophy.

Barbara de Mori - *What moral theory for human rights? Naturalization vs. denaturalization*

Università di Padova, Dipartimento di Filosofia.

The issue contains the following articles in Italian:

Gilda Manganaro Favaretto, *Globalizzazione e democrazia: considerazioni su D. Held, Democrazia e ordine globale*

Università di Trieste, Dipartimento di Filosofia.

Gianfranco Hofer, *Alle radici della libertà, tra Atene e Gerusalemme*

Liceo Scientifico "G. Galilei", Trieste

**INTERVISTE FILOSOFICHE / PHILOSOPHICAL INTERVIEWS**

Talking about the Subject *with* Slavoj Žižek

An Interview by Fabio Polidori - Università di Trieste, Dipartimento di Filosofia.

- **Epistemologia e logica**

The Department of Philosophy of the University of Trieste is promoting a new electronic journal: *Epistemologia e logica / Philosophy of Science & Logic*. Overview at: <http://www.univ.trieste.it/~dipfilo/episteme/>

- **THE MONIST CALL FOR PAPERS**

*Art and the Mind* 86:4 October 2003

Deadline for submissions: October 31, 2002

Advisory Editors: N. J. Bullot and P. Ludwig (CREA, Paris). E-mail:

[ludwig@poly.polytechnique.fr](mailto:ludwig@poly.polytechnique.fr)

Works of art are cognitive devices aimed at the production of rich cognitive effects. Thus it can be argued, in the light of what is known about human cognition, that aesthetic experience is a by-product of the exercise of more fundamental cognitive faculties such as perception and imagination. Works of art, on this view, are never grasped directly. Rather, in an aesthetic experience, a subject directly perceives a certain object or event (a canvas, a display of pixels, a series of sounds), and this perception gives rise to a cognitive activity of a special, aesthetic type. Theories of art should thus address questions about the interplay of the cognitive faculties. Papers are invited on all aspects of the relation between perception, imagination, the emotions, and aesthetic experience, and on the way in which findings in cognitive science can shed new light on art, its appreciation, and its evaluation.

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## PHILOSOPHY ON THE NET

- **ESAP HOMEPAGE**

<http://www.dif.unige.it/esap/sta.htm>

- **GAP HOMEPAGE**

<http://gwdu19.gwdg.de/~gap>

- **SEFA HOMEPAGE**

<http://fs-morente.filos.ucm.es/sefa/sefa.htm>

- **SIFA HOMEPAGE**

<http://www.vc.unipmn.it/~sifa/sifa.htm>

- **SOPHA HOMEPAGE**

<http://www.polytechnique.fr/laboratoires/crea/E/sopha/index.htm>

- **AUSTRIAN SOCIETY FOR PHILOSOPHY**

<http://info.uibk.ac.at/sci-org/oegp/>

- **PPP - POLISH PHILOSOPHY PAGE**

<http://www.fmag.unict.it/polhome.html>

- **SPANISH SOCIETY FOR LOGIC, METHODOLOGY AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE IN SPAIN**

[fs-morente.filos.ucm.es/sociedad/sociedad.htm](http://fs-morente.filos.ucm.es/sociedad/sociedad.htm)  
or [http://www.ucm.es/facultad filosofía/sociedad](http://www.ucm.es/facultad_filosofia/sociedad)

- **AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL ASSOCIATION**

[www.udel.edu/apa](http://www.udel.edu/apa)

- **ASSOCIATION FOR SYMBOLIC LOGIC**

<http://www.math.uiuc.edu/~asl/>

- **INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS**

<http://www.cep.unt.edu/ISSE.html>

## PHILOSOPHICAL DICTIONARIES AND ENCYCLOPEDIAS ONLINE

- **GUIDE TO PHILOSOPHY ON THE INTERNET**

Fall 1996: Robert L. Causey:  
<http://www.earlham.edu/suber/philinks.htm>

- **THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PHILOSOPHY PROJECT**

Fall 1996: Robert L. Causey:  
<http://csmaclab-www.uchicago.edu/philosophyProject/philos.html>

- **NOESIS: PHILOSOPHICAL RESEARCH ON-LINE**

Noesis is a new search engine dedicated to philosophy on the Internet. It employs new search routines that allow users to approach data from a variety of perspectives. In addition to a search engine, Noesis includes a browsable index, broken down into a separate author index and a collections index.

<http://ialab.evansville.edu/ei/pi/>

- **Philosophy pages from Garth Kemerling**

It provides assistance with the teaching of history of occidental philosophy. A dictionary of philosophical terms and names, a sketch of the history of occidental philosophy and a detailed discussion of the points of view of the most prominent philosophers are available.

<http://people.delphi.com/gkemerling/index.htm>

- **SWIF**

The SWIF has organised a new informative service on philosophical dictionaries and encyclopedias. This service, which can be consulted at <http://lgxserver.uniba.it/lei/dionari/dizengl.htm>, provides a critical selection of links to various encyclopedias and dictionaries of philosophy and other reference materials that may be of interest to philosophers.

<http://lgxserver.uniba.it/lei/>

- **A FIELD GUIDE TO THE PHILOSOPHY OF MIND**

General Editors: Marco Nani & Massimo Marraffa

Philosophy of mind and the philosophical issues arising in the allied domain of cognitive sciences constitute a fast developing territory, which is very well introduced by a number of excellent web resources (see our choice at RECOMMENDED LINKS section). In the hope not just to follow the stream, but to be interestingly complementary to them, more focused views of specific regions will be supplied here. We call them GUIDED TOURS, each being an in depth exploration of a particular topic that comprises two parts: 1) a preliminary state-of-the-art report on the issue, which explains what the question is, how it arises and what ramifications result from it; how the debate goes on with all the theories, objections, proposed solutions, etc. 2) a bibliographical guide to the relevant literature, which consists of copiously annotated items. Such a bibliography does not aim at an abstract completeness, but it should reasonably cover all the material worth mentioning, or at least what so seems in the opinion of the author. As it is in the 'field guide' genre, the reader is provided with helpful signposts by experienced authors, but is encouraged to eventually take his own path. In the continuous effort of enlarging and keeping them updated, the 'tours' will be always in progress. Annotated items can be individually searched in the DATABASE section, where they are listed by AUTHORS and by TITLES.

<http://www.uniroma3.it/kant/field/>