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## **IV Congress of the Spanish Society for Analytic Philosophy (SEFA)**

Murcia (Spain), 16-18 December 2004

[www.um.es/~logica/sefa04.htm](http://www.um.es/~logica/sefa04.htm)

The Fourth Congress of the Spanish Society for Analytic Philosophy (SEFA) will be hosted by the University of Murcia, on 16-18 December 2004. Philosophers from all countries and specialities are invited to submit papers on any philosophical topic. Official languages will be Spanish and English.

### **1. INVITED SPEAKERS**

Like in previous editions, the program of the SEFA Congress includes three invited lectures by distinguished philosophers. In this edition, there will be a special symposium on "Philosophy and Terrorism". All invited speakers have in common both a theoretical interest in terrorism and a personal or intellectual engagement in conflicts in which terrorism plays or has played a crucial role.

Invited speakers are:

Eduardo Rabossi (Universidad de Buenos Aires). He is the author of an extended and important work on different philosophical topics, including Human Rights. He was appointed member of the "Truth Committee" to investigate the violations of Human Rights violations in Argentina under the military dictatorship.

Fernando Savater (Universidad Complutense de Madrid). He is an expert in ethics and an active member of the anti-terrorist civil movement in the Basque Country.

A third speaker to be announced.

This symposium has two aims. First, to compensate for the relatively small weight of ethics and political philosophy in Spanish analytic philosophy. Second, to promote the academic rigorous analysis of terrorism: its definition, sources, legitimating strategies and impact in contemporary society.

### **2. CONTRIBUTED PAPERS**

Call for papers: Philosophers from all countries are invited to submit papers on any philosophical topic. Submissions (papers or 1000-word abstracts) must be written in Spanish or English and e-mailed to [mhi@um.es](mailto:mhi@um.es) (please note: only doc and rtf files will be acceptable). All submissions must be ready for blind review. In particular, title, name of author, affiliation and e-mail must appear only in detachable cover page with the title and the author's name, affiliation and e-mail address, and all explicit references to works of the author must be avoided.

In order to leave enough time for discussion, papers should not exceed a 20-25 minute reading time.

Special section "DONALD DAVIDSON, IN MEMORIAM": Donald Davidson died on August 27, 2003. The SEFA will honour his memory with a monograph section devoted to his work. Philosophers interested in, or familiar with Davidson's work are encouraged to submit presentations on any aspect of Davidson's philosophy.

Deadline for submissions: September 17, 2004.

Selection: All papers will be blind-refereed by two members of the Scientific Committee. Efforts will be made to include in the program quality original papers on the different philosophical disciplines, as well as papers by junior researchers.

Notification of acceptance will be made by e-mail in October 2004. Authors of the selected abstracts will be asked to send their final versions before November 30, 2004.

Publication: The SEFA will arrange, with permission by the authors, the eventual publication of all the papers or a selection of them.

### 3. ASSEMBLY OF THE SEFA

The Congress will host the General Assembly of the SEFA, which will be called in due time by its Secretary.

### 4. VENUE

Facultad de Letras  
Universidad de Murcia  
Campus de la Merced  
C/. Santo Cristo, 1  
Murcia (Spain)

The Merced Campus is located in the City center. You can find a map of the campus in: [www.um.es/universidad/planos/plano-merced/merced.php](http://www.um.es/universidad/planos/plano-merced/merced.php)

### 5. REGISTRATION

Ordinary fee: 80 €(65 €before November 10)

SEFA members and students: 50 €(35 €before November 10)

Students members of the SEFA: 35 €(20 €before November 10)

Future announcements will include registration and payment instructions.

### 6. TRANSPORT AND ACCOMMODATION

Future announcements will provide information on accommodation in Murcia and other practical matters. Useful local information and maps can be found at [www.murciaturistica.es](http://www.murciaturistica.es).

### 7. ORGANISATION

Organising institutions:

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#### 8. FURTHER INFORMATION

Updated information can be found in the Congress web page:

[www.um.es/~logica/sefa04.htm](http://www.um.es/~logica/sefa04.htm)

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#### **Sixth National Conference of the Italian Society of Analytic Philosophy**

Call for papers

Analytic Philosophy and European Culture

Genoa, September 23-25, 2004.

The National Congress of the Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy will take place on September 23-25, 2004. The main theme of the meeting is the relationship between analytic philosophy and European culture, in which we will also attempt to evaluate the past and prospects for the future. This theme is inspired by the fact that the Congress will be held in Genoa, the European Capital of Culture in 2004. Obviously, the cultural influence of analytic philosophy is only indirect and interwoven with the fabric of research and its results in diverse fields of philosophy. Accordingly, in addition to this general theme, there will be a variety of parallel sessions (as at every national convention) in which we feel the pulse of the current situation in analytic philosophy's various fields of research. We offer the following suggestions as primary topics:

1. Analytic philosophy and culture
2. Epistemology
3. Aesthetics
4. Ethics

5. Philosophy of language
6. Philosophy of Logic and Philosophy of Sciences
7. Philosophy of mind
8. Political philosophy
9. Ontology and metaphysics

Each speaker will be allowed 40 minutes, generally to be divided into a 30-minute talk and a 10-minute discussion. The official languages of the Convention will be *Italian* and *English*. It would be desirable that at least some papers be presented in Italian.

**Abstracts** of proposed papers should:

- \* not exceed 5000 characters in length;
- \* indicate the speaker's full name, home institution, and e-mail address;
- \* indicate the topic of the session for which the paper is intended
- \* present the main outline and key thesis of the proposed argument;
- \* be submitted (with a simple cut-and-paste operation) to the website  
<http://sifa.unige.it/genoa04/abs/form.html>

For further information (or in case of difficulty in sending the abstract), write to  
[sifa04@nous.unige.it](mailto:sifa04@nous.unige.it)

DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2004.

Invited Speakers: Evandro Agazzi (Università di Genova), Andrea Bonomi (Università di Milano), Joao Branquinho, (Universidade de Lisboa), Carlo Cellucci, (Università di Roma), Roberta de Monticelli (Università S. Raffaele), Sir Michael Dummett (Oxford), Umberto Eco (Università di Bologna), Pascal Engel (Università Paris IV - Sorbonne), Hans-Johann Glock, (University of Reading), Sebastiano Maffettone, (Università di Roma), Tito Magri, (Università di Roma), Diego Marconi (Univeristà del Piemonte Orientale), David Papineau (King's College, London), Marco Santambrogio (Università di Parma), Marina Sbisà (Università di Trieste), Stefano Velotti Università di Roma), Sandro Zucchi (Università di Milano).

Further information available at <http://www.sifa.unige.it/genoa04/intro.htm>

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## **Seminar of Analytic Philosophy**

Bologna, Dipartimento di Discipline della comunicazione, via Azzo Gardino 23.

Speakers:

Tyler Burge (from May, 11<sup>th</sup> to June, 12<sup>th</sup> 2004)

Joseph Almog (June 2004).

For further information, write to Andrea Bianchi, [an.bianchi@libero.it](mailto:an.bianchi@libero.it)

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Conference

### **Surviving through Change**

Bergamo, July 6, 2004

Morning

09.30-10.15 Dean Zimmermann (Rutgers University)

09.15-10.35 Comments by Elisa Paganini (University of Milan)

10.35-11.05 General discussion

11.30-12.15 Achille Varzi (Columbia University)

12.15-12.35 Comments by Fabrice Correia (University of Geneva)

12.35-13.05 General Discussion

Afternoon

14.45-15.30 Chris Hughes (King's College, University of London)

15.30-15.50 Comments by Massimiliano Carrara (University of Padua)

15.50-16.20 General Discussion

16.45-17.30 Massimo Mugnai (Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa)

17.30-17.50 Comments by Luca Morena (University of Bologna)

17.50-18.20 General Discussion

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Conference

**L'errore nella razionalità individuale e collettiva (Error in Individual and Collective Rationality)**

Imperia, 17-18 June 2004.

Massimo EGIDI (Trento): Decomposition Patterns in Problem Solving

Luigi MARENGO (Teramo) : Rappresentazione del problema e capacità di soluzione (Problem Representation and Solving Capability)

Massimo PIATTELLI PALMARINI (Tucson): Erronea Mente (Erroneous Mind)

Cristina BICCHIERI (Carnegie Mellon, Pittsburgh): Title to be defined

Sebastiano MAFFETTONE (Luiss, Roma): Il paradosso di Condorcet: Arrow, Sen e oltre (Condorcet's Paradox: Arrow, Sen and beyond)

Valeria OTTONELLI (Genova): Errore deliberativo e legittimità democratica (Deliberative Error and Democratic Legitimacy)

Pierluigi SACCO (Venezia): Social Norms Dynamics and Implementation Errors

Massimo WARGLIEN (Venezia): Contraddirsi è sempre un errore? (Is Contradicting themselves always an Error?)

Margherita BENZI (Genova): Title to be defined

Matteo MOTTERLINI (Trento): Title to be defined

Giorgio RAMPA (Genova): Title to be defined

Luca BELTRAMETTI (Genova): Paternalismo ed economia politica (Paternalism and Political Economics)

Further information available at <http://www.dif.unige.it/risorse/CON/errore/>

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Lectures

**Anima & Corpo. Neuroscienze, psicologia e filosofia a confronto (Body & Soul. A Confrontation among Neurosciences, Psychology and Philosophy)**

Milano, Cripta Aula Magna, 15.00

January 26<sup>th</sup> 2004

Alberto Granato (Human Anatomy, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan): Neurofisiologia della corteccia cerebrale: riduzione vs. emergenza (Cerebral Cortex Neurophysiology: Reduction vs. Emergence).

Alessandro Antonietti (General Psychology, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan): La mente tra corpo e anima (The Mind between Body and Soul)

January 30<sup>th</sup>

Alessandro Ghisalberti (Theoretic Philosophy and History of Medieval Philosophy, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan): Anima e corpo in S. Tommaso (Soul and Body in St. Thomas Aquinas).

Edmund Runggaldier (Philosophy, University of Innsbruck): L'anima e il funzionalismo contemporaneo (The Soul and Contemporary Functionalism)

February 2<sup>nd</sup>

Round table.

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**2004 Milan Meeting: Formal Semantic Conference  
Covert Variables at Logical Form**

Gargnano, Palazzo Feltrinelli (on lake Garda), June 10-12, 2004

Call for papers

In recent times, a debate has taken place on the articulation of propositional constituents at the level of Logical Form. The debate has focused on the issue whether (a) there exist propositional constituents that are freely contributed by the context without being articulated at LF or (b) propositional constituents provided by the context and lacking overt linguistic counterparts are always realized at LF by covert variables whose values are contextually determined (see, for example, recent work by Stanley, Recanati, Perry, and others). The issue has wide ranging consequences for the nature (and existence) of a linguistic level of sentence meaning generated by the grammars of natural languages. While this debate is foundational in nature, it draws on current semantic analyses of phenomena like temporal and spatial reference, adverbial modification, domain restriction on quantification, ecc. Indeed, appeal to LF covert variables whose value is contextually furnished is a formal device often adopted by natural language semanticists investigating these phenomena. The goal of the meeting is to bring together semanticists that work at specifying the nature of LF covert variables and philosophers of language and logicians engaged by the foundational and methodological issues raised by positing these variables.

Invited speakers: Angelika Kratzer, François Recanati, Mats Rooth, Jason Stanley

- The meeting will include 10 contributed talks of 30 minutes each (plus a discussion of 15 minutes) and four invited talks of 45 minutes each (plus a discussion of 15 minutes).
- People who want to contribute a talk are requested to send an e-mail message to the following address: milanmeeting@unimi.it

- The text of the message should specify the author's name, affiliation, postal address, e-mail address and the title of the contribution.
- The message should contain as an attachment an anonymous two page abstract (1000 words at most ) in pdf or rtf format.
- The deadline for submission of abstracts is April 17th, 2004.
- Authors will be notified of acceptance by April 30th, 2004.

Further information at <http://filosofia.dipafilo.unimi.it/~zucchi/MM2004.html>

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Conference

**Proposizioni. Aspetti semantici ed ontologici (Propositions, Semantical and Ontological Aspects)**

Padua, Archivio Antico, palazzo del Bo', 29-30 April 2004

Main Themes:

Are proposition indispensable and, if they are, how can they be conceived? Which are the constraints that an adequate account of propositions must satisfy? Arguments pro and against the elimination of propositions. Propositions in fictional and epistemic contexts.

Speakers (provisional list):

P. Casalegno (Università statale di Milano), A. Iacona (Università di Torino), K. Mulligan (Università di Ginevra - CH), E. Napoli (Università di Urbino), E. Picardi (Universita' di Bologna), M. Santambrogio (Universita' di Parma), M. Sbisà (Università di Trieste), A. Voltolini (Università di Vercelli), C. Penco (Universita' di Genova).

Conference Language: Italian.

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Conference

**Computing and Philosophy**

Pavia, Collegio Ghislieri, June 3-5, 2004.

The conference will deal with all aspects of the "computational turn" that is occurring within the discipline of Philosophy.

*Relevant research areas:*

- Cognitive Science, Epistemology, and Metaphysics
- Abductive reasoning, Scientific discovery, Creative processes
- Internal and External Representations in Cognitive Science
- Simulation, Embodiment, and Distributed Reasoning in Computational Models of Cognitive
- Problem of Consciousness in Philosophy
- New Models of Logic Software
- Computer-based Learning and Teaching Strategies and Resources
- Ethics
- The Impact of Distance Learning on the Teaching of Philosophy
- The Role of Computers as Tools for Philosophical Research

*Registration and further information:* to register please use the Management System, in <http://www.unipv.it/cap2004> For any further information do not hesitate to contact our local organizer, Elena Gandini at [elena@acrossevents.com](mailto:elena@acrossevents.com)

Up-to date information on the conference will be found at [http://www.unipv.it/webphilos\\_lab/courses/progra2.html](http://www.unipv.it/webphilos_lab/courses/progra2.html)

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Lectures

**Patricia S. Churchland's lectures in Siena**

Siena, Collegio S.Chiera, via Valdimontone 1, Siena, 29-30 March 2004

29<sup>th</sup> March, 15h-18h:

P.S. Churchland: Connecting qualia and neuronal organization

30<sup>th</sup> March, 9h30-12h30

P.S. Churchland: Free will

30<sup>th</sup> March, 15h-18h

Panel discussion with P.S. Churchland: Can the mind be naturalised ?

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## **Cognition and Collective Intentionality**

### **Mental Prerequisites and Attitudes for Collective Intentionality:**

### **Philosophical, Logical, Computational, Neural and Psychological Models**

Siena, Certosa di Pontignano (Italy), 13-15 October 2004

Call for papers

This year special focus is aimed at exploring relationships between individual mental representations and states and collective intentional states. Different perspectives and methodologies are encouraged; ranging from neural to psychological, computational (both AI and Alife-oriented), philosophical and logical ones (included formal ontology). Collective Intentionality and Collective joint mental states or activities exhibit collective intentionality or "aboutness". The contents of those mental states and activities are supposed to be shared by a group of people. Typical examples of collective intentionality are presented by joint intentions and mutual beliefs. People may share collective intentional states or they may take others' thoughts and actions into account when acting.

Relevant topics and possible questions are (but are not restricted to) the following:

- Individual cognition and collective intentionality
- Social cognition and collective intentionality
- Distributed cognition and collective intentionality
- Normativity and collective intentionality

Part of the conference will be devoted to the crucial issue of the special conventional nature of institutional acts and functions: the so called "Counts As" relation. Both issues are relevant:

- how a collective acceptance is presupposed by the "Counts As" effect;
- how this is implemented in the mental representations and consequent behaviours of the participants.

A Panel on the "Counts as" subject will conclude the Conference.

#### Important Dates

Title and short abstracts: 15 March 2004

Extended abstract (4 pages) or full electronic paper: 15 April 2004

Notification of acceptance: 7 June 2004

Full paper: 8 September 2004

#### Submission

Electronic submissions must include street and e-mail addresses, a brief biographical note, phone number and institutional affiliation. Electronic submissions should be sent to both Luca Tummolini ( [tummoli@ip.rm.cnr.it](mailto:tummoli@ip.rm.cnr.it) ) and Giacomo Romano ( [G.Romano@tm.tue.nl](mailto:G.Romano@tm.tue.nl) ).

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**FOIS-2004 International Conference on Formal Ontology in Information Systems**  
Turin, November 4-6, 2004.  
Call for papers

Just as ontology developed over the centuries as part of philosophy, so in recent years ontology has become intertwined with the development of the information sciences. Researchers in such areas as artificial intelligence, formal and computational linguistics, biomedical informatics, conceptual modeling, knowledge engineering and information retrieval have come to realize that a solid foundation for their research calls for serious work in ontology, understood as a general theory of the types of entities and relations that make up their respective domains of inquiry. The purpose of FOIS is to provide a forum for genuine interdisciplinary exchange in the spirit of a unified ontological analysis effort. 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.

#### 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 as lying outside the scope of the meeting.

Topic areas of particular interest to the conference are:

Foundational Issues. Kinds of entity: particulars vs. universals, continuants vs. occurrents, abstracta vs. concreta, dependent vs. independent, natural vs. artificial. Formal relations: parthood, identity, connection, dependence, constitution, subsumption, instantiation. Vagueness and granularity. Identity and change. Formal comparison among ontologies. Ontology of physical reality (matter, space, time, motion, ...). Ontology of biological reality (genes, proteins, cells, organisms, ...). Ontology of mental reality and agency (beliefs, intentions and other mental attitudes; emotions, ...). Ontology of social reality (institutions, organizations, norms, social relationships,

artistic expressions, ...). Ontology of the information society (information, communication, meaning negotiation, ...). Ontology and Natural Language Semantics. Ontology and Cognition. Methodologies and Applications. Top-level vs. application ontologies  
Ontology integration and alignment; role of reference ontologies. Ontology-driven information systems design. Requirements engineering. Knowledge engineering. Knowledge management and organization. Knowledge representation; Qualitative modeling. Computational lexica; Terminology. Information retrieval; Question-answering  
Semantic web; Web services; Grid computing. Domain-specific ontologies, especially for: Linguistics, Geography, Law, Library science, Biomedical science, Ebusiness, Enterprise integration, ...

#### Invited Speakers

Peter Gärdenfors, Lund University Cognitive Science, Sweden

Amie Thomasson, Department of Philosophy, University of Miami, USA

#### Deadlines

Abstracts: May 3, 2004

Final submissions: May 7, 2004

Acceptance Notification: June 25, 2004

Submission of camera-ready paper: July 30, 2004

Proceedings will be published by IOS Press and available at the conference.

Further information at <http://www.fois.org>

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#### Lectures

##### **Sintetico a priori ed esperienza possibile (Synthetic A Priori and Possible Experience)**

Urbino, Istituto di Filosofia, Via Saffi 9, 8-9 March 2004

8 marzo, h. 15: Paolo Parrini (Università di Firenze), Forme trascendentali della conoscenza e a priori materiale: alcuni interrogativi (Material A Priori and Transcendental Forms of Knowledge: some questions)

8 marzo, h. 17: Corrado Sinigaglia (Università di Milano), Materia e forma della geometria (Matter and Form of Geometry)

9 marzo, h. 9: Maurizio Ferraris (Università di Torino), Reinach. Oggetti sociali e a priori materiale (Reinach. Social Objects and Material A Priori)

9 marzo, h. 11: Paolo Spinicci (Università di Milano), Il sintetico a priori e il metodo degli esempi (The Synthetic A Priori and the Method of Examples)

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Call for participation  
VI Summer School in Analytic Philosophy  
**Realism**  
Venice, 25 June – 2 July 2004

Teachers (incomplete list):

Paul Boghossian, Allan Gibbard, Paul Horwich, Paolo Leonardi, Kevin Mulligan, Roger White e Crispin Wright.

Deadline for the application submissions: April 30, 2004.

Submissions should be sent to Paolo Leonardi ([paolo.leonardi@unibo.it](mailto:paolo.leonardi@unibo.it)).

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**27th International Wittgenstein Symposium  
of the Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society (ALWS)**

August 8 - 14, 2004

Kirchberg/Wechsel, Lower Austria

General Topic: "Experience and Analysis"

Organization and scientific direction: Johann C. Marek (Graz) & Maria E. Reicher (Graz)

**Description of the Topic**

The two big strands within philosophy in the 20th century - analytic philosophy and phenomenology - are often characterized in terms of different methodological approaches: analytical philosophy as analysis of language, phenomenology as analysis of mental phenomena, that is, as analysis of experiences. Clearly, these two approaches are not mutually exclusive opposites but rather two poles between which many intermediates may occur.

We have chosen the general topic "Experience and Analysis" in order to encourage colleagues (in particular colleagues who are familiar with both sides) to investigate the relationships between these two poles and everything that lies in-between. This should be carried out through historical and metaphilosophical contributions (see section 2) as well as through debates in some philosophical areas in which it becomes particularly

evident that analysis of language and analysis of experience may and should supplement each other, such as: intentionality, reference, meaning, perception, experience of value and value judgment (see sections 3-6).

Sections

1. Wittgenstein
2. Analytic Philosophy and Phenomenology: Origins - Interdependencies - Criticism
3. Intentionality and Consciousness
4. Intentionality, Reference, and Meaning
5. Theories of Perception
6. Experience of Value and Value Judgment

Workshop: Gestalt Theory

Scientific direction of the workshop: Mauro Antonelli (Bologna)

Deadline for paper submissions is April 30, 2004. Authors should state in which section they would like to present their paper. Submissions for the workshop on Gestalt Theory are also welcome. Submissions for either sections 2 - 6 or the workshop are not required to be related to Wittgenstein. Papers should not exceed a length of 2500 words, should be accompanied by an abstract (ca 150 words), must be written in English or German and must not have been published or accepted for publication elsewhere. Submitted papers will be refereed. Accepted papers will be published.

Authors who wish to submit a paper have to register for the conference. Registration forms and instructions for authors are available from the office of the Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society (e-mail: [alws@nextra.at](mailto:alws@nextra.at)) or can be downloaded from the website of the ALWS: [www.alws.at](http://www.alws.at).

Submissions and queries should be sent to:

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Invited speakers include:

Mauro ANTONELLI (Bologna), José Louis BERMÚDEZ (Stirling), Thomas BINDER (Graz), Alan COSTALL (Portsmouth), Tim CRANE (London), Arkadiusz CHRUDZIMSKI (Salzburg), Ronald B. DE SOUSA (Toronto), Andreas DORSCHER (Graz), John J. DRUMMOND (Bronx), Dagfinn FØLLESDAL (Oslo), Allan GIBBARD (Ann Arbor), Margaret GILBERT (Storrs), Patricia GREENSPAN (College Park), Claire ORTIZ HILL (Paris), Herbert HOCHBERG (Austin), Terence HORGAN (Tucson), Frank JACKSON (Canberra), Wolfgang KÜNNE (Hamburg), Karel LAMBERT (Irvine), Jerrold LEVINSON (College Park), Nenad MISCEVIC (Maribor/Budapest), Dieter MÜNCH (Berlin), Kevin MULLIGAN (Genève), Nicholas RESCHER (Pittsburgh), Sonja RINOFNER-KREIDL (Graz), Robin ROLLINGER (Leuven), Heiner RUTTE (Graz), Werner SAUER (Graz), Richard SCHANTZ

(Siegen), John SEARLE (Berkeley), Charles SIEWERT (Miami), Peter SIMONS (Leeds), Barry SMITH (Buffalo/Leipzig), David SMITH (Essex), David W. SMITH (Irvine), Gianfranco SOLDATI (Fribourg), Mark TEXTOR (London), Michael TYE (Austin).

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### **Minor Entities**

A Philosophical Workshop in Geneva  
July 8-11, 2004

Organized by  
Roberto Casati, Kevin Mulligan and Achille Varzi

[http://www.unige.ch/lettres/philo/zz\\_doc/MinorEntities.pdf](http://www.unige.ch/lettres/philo/zz_doc/MinorEntities.pdf)

Invited symposiasts:

Jérôme Dokic, Philosophy, EHESS, Paris (Sounds)

Alvin Goldman, Philosophy, Rutgers (Events)

Hud Hudson, Philosophy, Western Washington University (Boundaries)

Roy Sorensen, Philosophy, Dartmouth College (Shadows)

Dean Zimmerman, Philosophy, Rutgers (Simples)

The workshop will be structured as an intensive brainstorming session. Prospective attendees (students, researchers, teachers) are invited to send a short CV and letter of motivation to Roberto Casati ([casati@ehess.fr](mailto:casati@ehess.fr)) or Achille Varzi ([achille.varzi@columbia.edu](mailto:achille.varzi@columbia.edu)) before March 31st, 2004.

Information about the theme and the modalities for participation can be found at:

[http://www.unige.ch/lettres/philo/zz\\_doc/MinorEntities.pdf](http://www.unige.ch/lettres/philo/zz_doc/MinorEntities.pdf)

An issue of the *Monist* will be devoted to the theme of the workshop  
[http://monist.buffalo.edu/callsforpapers.html#Lesser\\_Kinds](http://monist.buffalo.edu/callsforpapers.html#Lesser_Kinds)

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Application forms and further particulars for the studentships and for graduate study are obtainable from Mrs. Josephine Green, Postgraduate Secretary, School of Philosophy, University of Leeds, Leeds, LS2 9JT, UK, email: J.Green@leeds.ac.uk, tel: 0113 343 3263, fax: 0113 343 > 3265.

Closing date for applications: 28 February 2004

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There is no reason why good cannot triumph as often as evil. The triumph of anything is a matter of organisation. If there are such things as angels, I hope that they are organised along the lines of the Mafia.  
--Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. *The Sirens of Titan*

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**April 2004, Paris, APIC DAY, institut jean nicod, 1 bis av de Lowendal, 75007 Paris**

International workshop; communications by : Anthony David, Peter Halligan, Elisabeth Pacherie, Josef Parnas.

Delusions – beliefs entertained in spite of the fact that they contradict common sense - can take various forms. Classic schizophrenic delusions include thinking that certain people are out to get you (delusions of paranoia), thinking that people are controlling one's actions (delusions of control) and thinking that people are inserting thoughts into one's mind (delusions of thought-insertion). Other delusions include thinking that one is dead (Cotard's delusion), that one's close relatives had been replaced by doubles (Capgras delusion), and that one is being followed by persons known to one who are in disguise (Fregoli delusion). Although some delusions often resolve spontaneously after weeks or months, others – particularly schizophrenic delusions – can persist for years with debilitating consequences.

Delusions have been classically understood as originating in perturbed thought processes. Some researchers claimed that they might be a rational way to make sense of unusual experiences. Others have insisted that, given that patients may share the experience without forming a delusion, a cognitive bias had to be postulated. A prevalent view is now that delusions have a double origin. They presuppose anomalies in the process of belief formation and belief evaluation; but they also result from unusual perceptual states. For example, delusions of control might involve an abnormal experience of agency. This unusual experience prompts the patients to wonder whether someone else is controlling their actions; their impairment in belief-formation leads them to go on to form the belief that someone is controlling their actions.

The workshop aims to examine the respective contributions of experiential and epistemic factors in the formation of delusions. It will also focus on the dynamics of belief that allows some delusions to resist revision.

The presentations will last 45 minutes and will receive a 15 minutes comment, followed by a 30 mn general discussion.

contact : Joelle Proust ( Joelle.Proust@ehess.fr)

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### **University of Paris IV Sorbonne , conference on "Actualités du républicanisme"**

20 mars 2004 - 14 h, Sorbonne, amphithéâtre Descartes  
(Collège de Philosophie): à l'occasion de la parution du livre de Philip Pettit, *Républicanisme. Une théorie de la liberté et du gouvernement* (Paris, Gallimard, janv. 2004), avec Philip PETTIT (Princeton University), Alain BOYER (Paris IV), Marcel Gauchet (EHESS), Alain Renaut (Paris IV) et Patrick Savidan (Paris IV)

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### **Bolzano and truth**

Colloque organisé par  
Les Archives Husserl de Paris  
L'Institut d'Histoire de la Philosophie des Sciences et des Techniques

Le 6 mars 2004 à l'IHPST  
13, rue Du Four

#### **Programme**

10:00-12:30 Table ronde autour du livre *Conceptions of Truth* de Wolfgang Kühne  
Président de séance : Göran Sundholm (Université de Leiden)

Commentateurs:

Peter Simons (University of Leeds)

Mark Textor (King's College London)

Douglas Patterson (Kansas State University)

11:45-12:45 Réponses de Wolfgang Kühne et discussion

12:45-14h30 Déjeuner

14:30-16:00 Président de séance : Wolfgang Künne, Université de Hambourg

Bolzano on Truth, Validity and Analyticity

16:15-17:15 Présidente de séance : Marietje van der Schaar (Université de Leiden)

Philippe de Rouilhan, IHPST

La notion de conséquence logique de Bolzano et Tarski à la théorie des modèles

Jan Sebestik, IHPST

Bolzano's conception of truth

18 :15 Fin du colloque

Organisation

Jacques Dubucs & Sandra Lapointe

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### **Spring School Philosophy of Physics**

Bonn-Cologne, March 28--April 3, 2004

Topics:

- Philosophy of Science Issues in Physics
- Non-locality in EPR-Bell Correlations
- Measurement Process
- Individuality in Quantum Mechanics
- Algebraic Quantum Mechanics
- History of Special and General Relativity
- Spacetime Ontology

Lecturers:

A. Bartels (Bonn)

J. Butterfield (Oxford)

K. Fredenhagen (Hamburg)

S. French (Leeds)

F. W. Hehl (Cologne)

D. Howard (Notre Dame)

P. Mittelstaedt (Cologne)

J. Stachel (Boston)

Organizers:

Holger Lyre (Bonn)  
Peter Mittelstaedt (Cologne)

For more information see: <http://www.philphys.uni-bonn.de>

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### **Workshop on guarded logics : proof techniques and applications**

9 - 13 August 2004

organized as part of

European Summer School on Logic, Language and Information (ESSLLI 2004)

(<http://esslli2004.loria.fr/>)

9 - 20 August 2004 in Nancy.

Workshop organizer: Natasha Alechina

#### Workshop purpose

It's been almost ten years since Andreka, van Benthem and Nemeti proved decidability of the guarded fragment of first order logic. Given how natural and expressive guarded quantification is, this result gave logicians a powerful tool of proving decidability of many formalisms arising in computer science applications, and generated much research into extensions of the guarded fragment to fixed point logic, transitive guards etc. A wealth of new proof techniques developed as a result. The workshop intends to bring this research together for the benefit of advanced logic and computer science PhD students interested in the area, and use a mixture of invited and contributed talks to cover both the new proof techniques and the relevance of guarded quantification for applications of logic in computer science.

#### Workshop details

Authors are invited to submit a full paper either describing their published work (which should be instructive and interesting to PhD students working in the field and appropriate for presentation at the Summer School), or new and unpublished work. Submissions should not exceed 20 pages. The following formats are accepted: pdf, ps. Please send your submission electronically to nza at cs.nott.ac.uk. The submissions will be reviewed by the workshop's programme committee and additional reviewers. The accepted papers will appear in the workshop proceedings published by ESSLLI. It is likely that a selection of (revised and expanded) versions of the workshop papers will appear in a special issue of the Journal of Logic, Language and Information.

#### Workshop format

The workshop is part of ESSLLI and is open to all ESSLLI participants. It will consist of five 90-minute sessions held over five consecutive days in the first week of ESSLLI.

There will be 2 slots for paper presentation and discussion per session. On the first day the workshop organizer will give an introduction to the topic.

#### Workshop programme committee

Natasha Alechina (University of Nottingham), Johan van Benthem (University of Amsterdam), Erich Graedel (Aachen University), Maarten Marx (University of Amsterdam), Hans de Nivelle (Max Planck Institut fur Informatik, Saarbruecken), Martin Otto (Darmstadt University of Technology), Ulrike Sattler (University of Manchester).

#### Important dates

- \* Submissions: March 5, 2004
- \* Notification: April 19, 2004
- \* ESSLLI early registration: May 1, 2004
- \* Preliminary programme: April 23, 2004
- \* Final papers for proceedings: May 15, 2004
- \* Final programme: June 25, 2004
- \* Workshop dates: August 9 - 13, 2004

#### Local arrangements

All workshop participants including the presenters will be required to register for ESSLLI. The registration fee for authors presenting a paper will correspond to the early student/workshop speaker registration fee. Moreover, a number of additional fee waiver grants will be available by the OC on a competitive basis and workshop participants are eligible to apply for those. There will be no reimbursement for travel costs and accomodation. Workshop speakers who have difficulty in finding funding should contact the local organising committee to ask for the possibilities for a grant.

#### Further information:

About ESSLLI-2004: <http://esslli2004.loria.fr/>

About the workshop: <http://www.cs.nott.ac.uk/~nza/GF04/>

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## **LCMAS04**

### **An ESSLLI04 Workshop on Logic and Communication in Multi-Agent Systems**

Final Call for Papers

<http://www.win.tue.nl/%7Eevink/lcmas04.html>

The workshop, this year in its second edition, aims at bringing together graduate students and researchers interested in topics related to the use of formal tools when applied to modelling, specifying, verifying, and reasoning about multi-agent systems in which communication and updating play a crucial role. Specifically, the workshop aims at providing a forum for discussing technical issues that arise with formalisms (epistemic, temporal, dynamic and authentication logics and tools) inspired by the needs of modelling information exchanges in multi-agent systems.

The workshop will be held within the context of ESSLLI04, the 2004 edition of the European Summer School on Logic Language and Computation, to be held in Nancy in August 2004.

#### **WORKSHOP SPECIFIC THEMES**

Particular focus of attention will be given to papers relating to the following specific themes:

- \* Dynamics of epistemic positions: Combinations of epistemic logic and temporal logic (and related semantical issues) resulting from communicative acts, such as message passing, broadcasting, etc. Modelling of epistemic updates, and refinements following communicative acts.
- \* Communication protocols: Semantics for communications processes in multi-agent systems. Formal dependencies between communication protocols and intensional (e.g., epistemic) properties of the agents. Using CSP and CCP for agent-communication.
- \* Security and authorisation: Logics (deontic logic, BAN logic, etc.) for security and authorisation, where the assumption that the other agents in the network are cooperative, or at least not hostile, is dropped. Semantics for authorisation logics that are general and complete, or languages that are strong enough to prove that certain occasions (intruders entering the network, unwanted eavesdropping) do not occur.
- \* Semantics of speech acts: Logical semantics of speech acts and

institutional communication. Semantics of agent communication languages and their relationship to speech acts. Logics for planning speech acts. Relationships between speech act theory and belief revision & epistemic updates.

#### INVITED SPEAKERS

Prof. Dr. Holger Schlingloff (Berlin), and Dr Ahti-Veikko Pietarinen (Helsinki) have very kindly agreed to give invited presentation at LCMAS04. The abstracts of the talks will be made available in due course.

#### WORKSHOP ORGANISERS

Wiebe van der Hoek, University of Liverpool  
Alessio Lomuscio, King's College London  
Erik de Vink, Technische Universiteit Eindhoven  
Mike Wooldridge, University of Liverpool

#### PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Johan van Benthem (University of Amsterdam), Frank de Boer (CWI Amsterdam, Utrecht), Iliano Cervesato (US Naval Research Labs), Marco Colombetti (Politecnico di Milano), Rogier van Eijk (University of Utrecht), Andrew Jones (King's College London), Yannis Labrou (Fujitsu Labs of America), Riccardo Pucella (Cornell University), Pierre-Yves Schobbens (University of Namur), Marek Sergot (Imperial College), Luca Vigano' (ETH Zurich)

#### PUBLICATION DETAILS

The proceedings of LCMAS03 held in June 2003 in Eindhoven were published in the Electronic Lecture Notes in Theoretical Computer Science. Pending satisfaction with the overall quality, authors of accepted papers will have the opportunity to revise their articles for publication in late 2004 in a special issue of the Electronic Lecture Notes in Theoretical Computer Science published by Elsevier. Informal proceedings will be made available at the workshop.

#### SUBMISSIONS AND TIMETABLE

Those wishing to participate in the workshop are invited to submit an original research paper of up to 15 pages in plain article style. The first page of your submission should include the full name and contact details of at least one author. Electronic submission in Postscript or PDF is strongly encouraged. Submissions should be sent to Erik de Vink, e-mail [evink@win.tue.nl](mailto:evink@win.tue.nl).

15 March, 2004: Submission deadline

19 April, 2004: Notification of acceptance

15 May, 2004: Final version due.

16-20 Aug, 2004: Workshop.

## WORKSHOP FORMAT

The workshop is part of ESSLLI and is open to all ESSLLI participants. It will consist of five 90-minute sessions held over five consecutive days between 16 Aug and 20 Aug.

## LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

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## FURTHER INFORMATION

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About the workshop: <http://www.win.tue.nl/%7Eevink/lcmas04.html>

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