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"The Emergence of Relativism"

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Relativism in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century German-Speaking Philosophy

22.-24. September 2016, University of Vienna, NIG Building, Room 2G

Day One (September 22nd):

- 10:00-10:05 Opening Words (Martin Kusch)
- 10:05-11:20 Kristin Gjesdal: "Responding to Relativism: Dilthey on Poetry, Judgement, and Culture"
- 11:20-12:35 Katherina Kinzel: "Values and Worldviews: Windelband and Dilthey on the Historicity of Philosophy"
- 14:30-15:15 Samantha Matherne: "Cassirer on Scientific Relativism as a Model for Cultural Relativism"
- 15:15-16:00 Sara Heinämaa: "The Concept of Naturalism and the Thesis of the Absoluteness of the Spirit in Husserl's *Ideas II*"
- 16:15-17:30 Paul Ziche: "Abstraction, Generalization, Openness: Conceptualizations of the Mind beyond Naturalist (and other) Commitments"
- 17:30-18:45 (Lydia Patton): "Two Kinds of Relativism: Nineteenth-Century Physiology of Perception and the History of the Qualia Argument" (Since Prof. Patton is unable to come, the talk will be presented by Martin Kusch.)

Day Two (September 23rd):

- 10:00-11:15 Terrell Carver: "Socializing Knowledge and Historicizing Society: Marx and Engels and the Manuscripts of 1845-46"
- 11:15-12:30 Brian Leiter: "Knowledge and Affects: Perspectivism Reconsidered"
- 14:30-15:45 Michael Heidelberger: Mill on the Relativity of Knowledge (with a side glance at Helmholtz)
- 16:00-17:15 Johannes Steizinger: "National Socialism and the Problem of Relativism"
- 17:15-18:00 Lisa Heller: "Fleck's Comparative Epistemology—A Relativistic Approach?"

Day Three (September 24th):

- 9:00-10:15 Vicki A. Spencer: "Herder, Relativism and Pluralism"
- 10:15-11:30 Yael Almog: "Protestant Polemics and the Emergence of Cultural Relativism"
- 11:45-13:00 Niels Wildschut: "Herder and Ranke on the Theology of History"
- 15:00-15:45 Jose Maria Bech Duro: "Weber, Troeltsch and Jellinek: On the Relativist Consequences of Wholesale Historicisation"
- 15:45-17:00 Martin Kusch: "Contextualizing Philosophy, Confronting Relativism: Simmel, Spengler, Scheler, Mannheim"

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