

4th SWIP Germany Workshop "Philosophical Methodology and Diversity"

25/26 November 2016, Philosophisches Seminar, Universität Basel

In recent years, there have been many discussions on philosophical methodology in general, and on concrete philosophical methods in particular. Besides increasingly opening up the boundaries between the so-called analytical and continental way of doing philosophy, many fields in philosophy have been challenged by the methods and arguments of experimental philosophers, or by philosophers who take into consideration actual, politically relevant phenomena of our social world. Another field that has significantly grown in the last years is the systematic study of discrimination and injustice in all their facets, which is already at the core of feminist and critical race theory for a long time.

By taking up these discussions, the workshop will centre on the relation between philosophical methodology and the discrimination of minorities in philosophy (particularly women): is there any? Are there more or less virtuous methods in philosophy when it comes to diversity and the decrease of discrimination? What can particular philosophical methods contribute to diversity in philosophy? How can they prevent us from discriminatory practices in philosophy?

The second day of the workshop will consist in discussing whether or how SWIP Germany is able to meet the needs of women philosophers both of the German and the French speaking part of Switzerland. With hopefully as many participants from Switzerland as well as (future) SWIP members from Germany and Austria, we want to address the possibilities, goals and especially the scope of SWIP Germany more generally.

The workshop will include talks by women philosophers from Switzerland and abroad who are working in fields as different as philosophy of language, epistemology, political philosophy, logic and gender studies. Besides the exchange of philosophical ideas, the workshop aims at bringing together various women in philosophy in order to create a stronger and bigger network of female philosophers in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and other countries.

Programme

Friday, November 25th: *Philosophical Methodology and Diversity*

Alte Universität, Rheinsprung 9, Room 101

09.30-10.00 Welcome Coffee

10.00-10.30 Introduction SWIP Germany board (Mari Mikkola) and SWIP Basel (Rebekka Hufendiek/Deborah Mühlebach)

10.30-11.30 "Varieties of Ignorance" (Nadja El Kassar, ETH Zürich)

11.30-12.00 Coffee Break

12.00-13.00 "Intersectional Knowledge in Philosophy? New Questions and Old Answers" (Katrin Meyer, Universität Basel)

13.00-15.00 Lunch Break + Coffee

15.00-16.00 "Metaphors for Argumentation" (Catarina Dutilh Novaes, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen)

16.00-17.00 "Against Schools. Uniformity and Disorientation in Philosophy" (Eva von Redecker, HU Berlin)

17.00-17.30 Coffee Break

17.30-19.00 "Good and Bad Implicit Bias Stories" (Jennifer Saul, University of Sheffield)

19.30 Dinner

Saturday, November 26th: *SWIP in Switzerland – how to proceed?*

Kollegienhaus, Regenzimmer 111

10.00-10.30 Coffee

10.30-11.00 Input SWIP Basel and other institutions

11.00-13.00 Round Table and Open Discussion with Brigitte Hilmer, Angela Martin, Mari Mikkola, Jenny Saul

13.00 Lunch

Travel Information

- **From Basel Airport to Basel Railway Station:**

Take Line 50: EuroAirport - Bahnhof SBB (Basel railway station)

BVB (Basel Bus company) | Phone: +41 (0)61 685 14 14 | www.bvb.ch

Timetable: www.bvb.ch/en/timetable-network/haltestellenfahrplan?50

Bus stops at: EuroAirport - Frachthalle - Kannenfeldplatz - SBB/CFF (Basel train station)

Duration of ride: approx. 20 minutes

- **From Basel SBB Railwaystation to Alte Universität (Rheinsprung 9):**

Take Tram 8 (direction "Weil am Rhein") or Tram 11 (dir. "St. Louis Grenze") until "Marktplatz".

From there it is 5 minutes by foot: Take *Eisengasse* (next to GLOBUS store) and just before getting to the Rhein turn right into *Rheinsprung*.

Accessibility Information

- The Alte Universität and the Kollegienhaus are wheelchair accessible.
- For BA, MA (and PhD) students: we can try to bring you into contact with students from Basel who are willing to let you sleep at their place. Don't hesitate to contact the organisers rebekka.hufendiek@unibas.ch or deborah.muehlebach@unibas.ch for that. There is also a nice youth hostel in Basel (<http://www.youthhostel.ch/de/hostels/basel-st-alban>).
- We want to make it possible for everyone to attend the workshop regardless of their budget. There are coffee snacks on Fri/Sat and lunch snacks on Friday. We also try to offer dinner to everybody on Friday (it depends on the number of registered people though).
- Coffee snacks will have a range of options for vegan, gluten-free, and other dietary needs.
- We can organise childcare for the hours of the workshop (Fri 10-19h/Sat 10-13h). If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please let the conference organisers know **until 1 October 2016**.

Registration

Workshop attendance is free. But please register for the workshop on 25th and the round table and open discussion on 26th by sending an email to the workshop organisers: deborah.muehlebach@unibas.ch or rebekka.hufendiek@unibas.ch