

Comparing Philosophical Traditions: Selfhood, Historicity and Representation between Hermeneutics and Pragmatism



University of Cagliari (IT) is delighted to announce that the conference Comparing Philosophical Traditions: Selfhood, Historicity and Representation between Hermeneutics and Pragmatism will be held on 14th, 15th and 16th March 2019 at the Department of Pedagogy, Psychology and Philosophy, Cagliari (IT). The conference is part of the activities of the Interuniversity Research Center on Pragmatism, Construction of Knowledge and Education (<http://host.uniroma3.it/centri/pcf/>) and Pragma Cultural Association (www.associazionepragma.com), and it is supported by the Foundation of Sardinia / The Region Sardinia (National Research Programme on ‘Science and its Logic: The Representation Dilemma’, FdS/RAS 2016).

The function of representation, which plays a bridge role between factual dimension and interpretative construction of the past in historical knowledge, is a theme of particular interest within socio-anthropological and philosophical fields concerning individual and collective identity. This is an interdisciplinary domain that at a different level concerns researches related to the theory and practice of make history, the interpretation of historical facts and studies in the philosophy of human action. Representation comes into play even around the subjective and inter-subjective dynamics related to the processes of auto-reflection and personal realization, as well as in relation with all processes of social interaction, communication and knowledge (of the others and the world). It exercises a specific function in the cultural, social and scientific construction and sharing of knowledge and values.

The conference aims to bring to dialectical confrontation two distinguished traditions of thought, pragmatism and hermeneutics, with the leading aim of deepening and critically addressing the various aspects implicated in the field of historical knowledge and philosophical anthropology. Contributors can consider both the 'theoretical' and 'practical' side, with the aim of identifying elements of proximity, critical aspects and potential new developments.

Keynote speakers:

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Johann Michel, University of Poitiers / EHESS of Paris

Conference directors:

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Conference Venue:

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Call for abstracts:

Possible topics could include (but are not limited to):

- Proximities and differences between Pragmatism and Hermeneutics about selfhood, social identity, memory, the reality of the past.
- Theoretical, epistemological and ethical models in comparison (Pragmatism and Hermeneutics)
- Representation (between Pragmatism and Hermeneutics)
- The mechanism of consensus-building around historical truth: a comparison between pragmatist and hermeneutic perspectives.
- Identity, intersubjectivity and cultural identity
- Self-representation in an ethical perspective: self-determination and responsibility
- The identitarian construction as an ethical commitment
- Proposals for a redefinition of the notion of 'person' between pragmatism and hermeneutics

Please submit a title and abstract of no more than 500 words including a short bio-bibliography to: HermesPragma2019@gmail.com as a word or pdf document.

Please ensure that you include your full contact details (including name, affiliation, postal and email address).

deadline for submissions: October 30th, 2018.

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