

Presentations at the von Wright and Wittgenstein seminar 2017–2024

2024

2.1. Book launch seminar of **Nora Hämäläinen's** (Helsinki) book *The Making of the Good Person: Self-Help, Ethics and Philosophy* (Routledge, 2023) with comments by **Antti Kauppinen** (Helsinki); 29.1. **Tommi Uschanov**, (PhD student, Helsinki), "Wittgenstein and What Usually Happens"; 26.2. Discussions in Finnish with **Lasse Nordlund** (farmer) and **Antti Salminen** (writer, professor / uniarts Helsinki) about self-sufficiency and the diagnosis of modernity on the basis of Salminen's recent book *Lantun henki: Lasse Nordlund ja omavaraistuva elämä*; 11.3. "Philosophical, Legal and Historical Perspectives on Civil Disobedience", a workshop with introductions by prof. **Kaarlo Tuori** (Helsinki), University Lecturer **Kati Nieminen** (Helsinki) and **Thomas Wallgren** (Helsinki); 14.3 and 15.3 "In Search of Philosophy: A Danish-Finnish Workshop" curated by Fredrik Westerlund with presentations by **Morten Sørensen Thaning & Johan Gersel** (Copenhagen Business School), **Line Ryberg Ingerslev** (Copenhagen), **Mads Peter Karlsen** (Copenhagen), **Joel Backström** (Helsinki) and **Niklas Toivakainen** (Helsinki); 25.3. **Nicole Hassoun** (Binghamton), a presentation on the legitimacy of technocratic decisions; 8.4. **Leszek Koczanowicz** (Wroclaw), "Bodies of Politics: Somapower, Niches of Liberation, and the Microphysics of Emancipation"; 15.4. **Kimmo Sarje** (Helsinki), "Sigurd Frosterus ja Olavi Paavolainen modernin diagnostikkoina" with comments by **Hannu Riikonen** (Helsinki); 29.4. **Matti Häyry & Amanda Sukenick (Aalto university)**, "Does the Omelas argument for antinatalism stretch the concept of responsibility too far?"; 19.6. *The Creation of Wittgenstein: Next Steps, a workshop in cooperation with The Nordic Wittgenstein Society* with introductions by **Bernt Österman** (Helsinki), **André Maury** (Helsinki), **Thomas Wallgren** (Helsinki), **Joel Backström** (Helsinki), **Lassi Jakola** (Helsinki), **Alois Pichler** (Bergen), **David Stern** (Iowa), **Hanne Appelqvist** (Helsinki) and **Anat Matar** (Tel Aviv); 5.9. **Leszek Koczanowicz** (Wroclaw), "Pragmatism, Everyday Democracy, and Non-consensual Dialogue"; 8.10. **Anne-Marie Søndergaard Christensen** (Odense), "Contextual Ethics, Problems in Practical Ethics and the New" and **Ondrej Beran** (Pardubice), "'Already we have taken our medicine'. 'New' realities to deal with philosophically and the projection screen of human life"; 5.11. General topic: "The Idea of the University and Academic Freedom: Current challenges / Sivistysliopiston idea ja

akateeminen vapaus: ajankohtaisia haasteita”, with **Jukka Kekkonen** (Helsinki), “Akateemisen vapauden tila Suomen yliopistoissa 2000-luvulla”, Hanna Kuusela (Jyväskylä), “Muuan akateeminen komitragedia - eli miksi annamme demokraattisen perintömme surkastua?” and **Syksy Räsänen** (Helsinki), “Academic boycott of Israel: Background, context and comparison”; 12.11. **Sami Pihlström** (Helsinki), “The ‘Unthinkable’ and the ‘Merely Wrong’: Remarks on the Push-back Law and the Conditions of Ethical Reflection”; **Thomas Wallgren** (Helsinki), “The Finnish push-back law 2024 as mirror: Remarks on the pathologies of modernity in the time of polycrisis” (co-organised with The Metaphysical Club), 3.12. **Jan von Plato** (Helsinki), “What kind of a philosopher was Gödel?”; 12.12. **Sara Heinämaa** (Helsinki), “Being Disgusted by Hate Speech” (co-organised with The Metaphysical Club).

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10.1. **Michael Campbell** (Kyoto), "Ludwig Wittgenstein and Gestalt Psychology"; 24.1. **Anssi Korhonen** (Helsinki), A presentation of the book project “Johdatus analyttiseen filosofiaan”; 7.2. **Arvi Särkelä** (Zürich), (“The Gestures of Philosophy: Showing in Philosophy 1920–1970”; 15.2. (Together with the Helsinki Philosophy Colloquium) **Hans-Johann Glock** (Zürich), “From Ought to Ought: Varieties of normativity, their interconnections and their place in the natural order”; 28.2. **Hannes Nykänen** (Helsinki/Åbo), “Wittgenstein, Rules and the New, Hegelian World-Order”; 14.3. **Alexey Rakhmanin** (Helsinki), “Wittgensteinians on Religion”; 21.3. **Niklas Toivakainen** (Helsinki/Åbo), ”Philosophical Investigation: Wittgenstein’s Sinthome”; 28.3. **Pasi Takkinen** and **Pasi Heikkurinen** (Tampere and Helsinki), ”Varieties of Sustainability Expertise on Technology”; 4.4. **Kristian Klockars** (Helsinki), ”Political Ontology and the global”; 25.4. **Adrian Blau** (London), “Thought Experiments: A New Typology, Some New(ish) Justifications, and A New Methodology”; 25.4. **Hanne Appelqvist** (Helsinki), “Seeing Forms, Feeling Necessities: Wittgenstein’s Kantian Vision of Aesthetics”; 30.5. **Ritu Priya** and **Vijay Pratap** (Delhi), Introduction to a discussion about democratic theory and practice; 1.6. Book launch seminar of *Challenging Authoritarian Capitalism: The Transformative Power of the World Social Forum* (Routledge 2023, edited by **Thomas Wallgren**, **Uddhab Pyakurel**, **Catalina Revollo Pardo** and **Teivo Teivainen** with comments by **Mira Käkönen** (Tampere), **Uddhab Pyakurek** (Kathmandu) and **Erkki Tuomioja**; 18.9. **Jaakko**

Kuorikoski (Helsinki), "Factivity, Pluralism, and the Inferential Account of Scientific Understanding"; 25.9. Book launch seminar of *The Creation of Wittgenstein* (ed. **Thomas Wallgren**) with comments by **Martin Gustafsson** (Åbo), **Alois Pichler** (Bergen) and **David Stern** (Iowa); 2.10. **Rögnvaldur Ingthorsson** (Helsinki), "The Dispute about Truth: What is it really about?"; 27.10. **Laurence Plazenet** (Blaise Pascal International Centre), a presentation of Pascal; 8.11. Book launch seminar of **Niklas Toivakainen's** (Åbo) book *Self, Other, and the Weight of Desire* (Palgrave MacMillan); 13.11. **Niklas Forsberg** (Pardubice), "Conceptual Change in Emotional Contexts" and **Ondřej Beran** (Pardubice), "The (Im)Possibilities of Philosophical Advice"; 20.11. "Exploring Alternative Approaches in the Philosophy of Mind", a workshop co-organised by the Mind and Matter research group and The von Wright and Wittgenstein seminar.

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5.4.2022 **Kaisa Kärki** (Helsinki). "Procedural metacognition in intentional omissions"; 26.4. **Niklas Forsberg** (Pardubice), "In Hindsight: An Essay on My Limited Moral Understanding"; **Matteo Stocchetti** (Helsinki), "What is happening, how we got here & where do we go from here?"; **Neli Dobрева** (Paris), "The Deep Ecology and Transhumanism debate: Challenges from Wittgenstein's Aesthetics"; 22.6. **Alexander Berg** (Zürich), "Wittgenstein's Hegel – Identity in Difference"; 6.9. Book launch seminar for the book, e-book and web publication *Om Wittgenstein. Skrifter 1936–2001*, commentator **André Maury** (Helsinki); 27.9. **Martti Koskenniemi** (Helsinki), "Enchanted by the Tools? An Enlightenment Perspective"; 4.10. **Fredrik Lång** (Helsinki), "Efterord till nyttgåvan (2022) av Georg Henrik von Wrights bok Vetenskapen och förnuftet"; 11.10. **Hanne Appelqvist** (Helsinki), "The Fish Tale: On Transcendentality of Space and Time in the Tractatus"; 18.10. **Jan-Ivar Lindén** (Helsinki/Heidelberg), "The Time of History"; 1.11. **Salla Aldrin Salskov** (Åbo/Helsinki), "On epistemic habits in feminist and queer theory"; 8.11. Presentation of **Lars Herzberg's** (Åbo) book *The Life We Live with Language* (Anthem Press, 2022) with comments by **Nora Hämäläinen** (Helsinki) and **Fredrik Westerlund** (Jyväskylä); 15.11. **Heikki Patomäki** (Helsinki), "The prevailing storyline about our place in cosmos: from a philosophical and methodological critique toward a rational alternative (a pragmatist and critical realist approach)"; 22.11. **Thomas Wallgren** (Helsinki) "Karl-Otto Apel's and Jürgen Habermas's Wittgenstein", 29.11. **Lassi Jakola** (Helsinki), "Georg Henrik von Wright's Wittgenstein";

13.12. **Wilhelm Krüger** (Bergen), “About language, concepts, and their place in our lives: A fragmentary inventory of Ludwig Wittgenstein's *Zettel*” (TS 233a, b).

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4.2. **Peter K. Westergaard** (Copenhagen), “Rush Rhees' work in editing Wittgenstein's Remarks on Frazer's The Golden Bough”; 22.9 **Sergio Benvenuto** (National Research Council, Italy), “Conversations with Lacan”; 29.9 **David Skrbina** (Michigan), “Panpsychism”; 6.10. **Nora Hämäläinen** (Pardubice and Helsinki), “How to do things with the ontological proof: reflections on Anselm, Murdoch and the form of moral thought”; 20.10. **Hanne Appelqvist** (Helsinki), “Art's Part in Wittgenstein's Philosophy”; 27.10. **Bernt Österman** (Helsinki), “From a collection of aphorisms to the setting of Wittgenstein's later philosophy. G.H. von Wright's work on Wittgenstein's general remarks”; 3.11. **Johanna Oksala** (Chicago), “Feminism, Capitalism, and Ecology”; 24.11. **Lassi Jakola** (Helsinki), “Three editorial perspectives to Wittgenstein's ‘Last Writings’ 1949–1951: Elizabeth Anscombe, G. H. von Wright and Rush Rhees in dialogue”; 1.12. **Kim Solin** (Helsinki), “Rush Rhees and the revision of Wittgenstein's Remarks on the Foundations of Mathematics”; 8.12. Book launch on the occasion on the book, e-book and web-publication *Skriv så ofta du kan. Brevväxlingen mellan G.H. von Wright och Eino Kaila 1937–1958*, presentation by **Bernt Österman** (editor) and a comment by **Ilkka Niiniluoto**.

2019

23.1. **Arvi Särkelä** (Zürich), “Plastic Power: Nietzsche as a Physician of Culture”; 29.1. **Toni Ruuska**, “Reproduction Revisited: Capitalism, Higher Education and Ecological Crisis”; 5.2. **Lassi Jakola** (Helsinki), “Von Wright and Wittgenstein on (The Varieties of) Goodness and Family-Resemblance”; 16.2. **Bernt Österman** (Helsinki), “En professor och hans elev – Brevväxlingen mellan Eino Kaila och Georg Henrik von Wright 1937-1958”; 5.3. **Niklas Toivakainen** (Helsinki), “Reading Descartes' Mediations and Plato's Gorgias in the context of the mind-body question”; 14.3. **Duncan Richter** (Virginia), “Anscombe's Sexual Ethics”; 2.4. **Nora Hämäläinen** (Pardubice and Helsinki), “Moral Truth in a Changing World”; 5.4. **Boaventura de Sousa Santos** (Coimbra), “The Epistemologies of the South and the resistance against capitalism, colonialism and hetero-patriarchy”; 9.4. **Mark Riley**

(Roehampton), “Thinking places: The huts of Wittgenstein, Heidegger and Naess”; 23.4. **Evgenia Bilchenko** (Kiev), “The society of performance : philosophical, psychoanalytical and cultural aspects”; 16.7. **Nuno Venturinha** (Lisboa), “Rush Rhees as editor of the Wittgenstein Nachlass”; 1.10. **Zacharias Hägerstrand**, **Nina Olin**, **Fredrik Westerberg** and **Risto Volanen** (“Filosofins uppdrag i dag”); 8.10. **Lars Herzberg** and **Martin Gustafsson**, “On the new Swedish translation of Philosophische Untersuchungen; 19.11. **Kenneth R. Westphal** (Bosphorus), “Universal Moral Principles & Mother Wit, or: Étienne Tempier & Cold War Rationality”; 26.11. Book launch seminar on the occasion of the book *Moral Foundations of Philosophy of Mind*, presentations and discussions by **Paavo Pylikkänen** and **Pii Telakivi** and the editors of the book **Joel Backström**, **Hannes Nykänen**, **Niklas Toivakainen** and **Thomas Wallgren**.

2018

13.2. **Anssi Korhonen** (Helsinki), “Constitutivity and Normativity of Logic in the Tractatus”; 6.3. **Olli Lagerspetz** (Åbo), “R.G. Collingwood, Peter Winch and logic”; 27.3. **Nora Hämäläinen** (Pardubice and Helsinki), “How does self-help matter to moral philosophy?”; 10.4 **André Maury** (Helsinki), “’Who cares what Bertie says?’: Arrogance in our subject with special reference to Russell’s commentator Grelling, and his commentators Stenius, von Wright etc.”; 24.4. **Chryssi Sidiropoulou** (Bosphorus), “Wittgenstein, the social nature of meaning, and the possibility to think differently”; 8.5. **Niklas Toivakainen** (Helsinki), “So much fuss about nothing: the mind-body problem and the (split) desire for the other”; 15.5. **Timo Honkela** (Helsinki), “From early to later Wittgenstein and AI: On human language and knowledge”; 29.5. **Hanne Appelqvist** (Helsinki), “Transcendentality of Ethics in Wittgenstein’s Tractatus”; 4.6. **Peter Hacker** (Oxford), “Animal minds and animal morals?”; 20.9 and 21.9 **Alberto Emiliani** (Helsinki), “The collapse of Kripke’s Wittgenstein”; 23.10 **Tim Labron** (Edmonton), “Wittgenstein and the transcendental, will, ethics, freedom, and the notion of God/Absolute, including Kierkegaard”; 6.11. **Kimmo Sarje** (Helsinki), “Rolf Lagerborg’s individualism and the year 1918”; 20.11 **Lassi Jakola** (Helsinki), “‘Certain things will be ejaculated, other things assimilated’ – Wittgenstein and von Wright’s Varieties of Goodness”.

2017

12.9. **Jan-von Plato** (Helsinki), "Wittgenstein's struggle with the quantifiers"; 19.9. **Bernt Österman** (Helsinki): "'Jag kan inte låta bli att oupphörligt jämföra honom med Cézanne'. Hur Göran Schildt hjälpte G.H. von Wright att lösa problemet Ludwig Wittgenstein"; 26.9. **Rupert Read** (Norwich), "The philosopher and temptation: Wittgenstein's Augustinian opening move in the Philosophical Investigations"; 2.10. A discussion of Gandhi's notion of "satyagraha"; 3.10. **Lars Hertzberg** (Åbo), "Absolutely Personal: Ethics out of Swansea"; 10.10 John Atkins (Queensland), "Quietism and Science"; 24.10 **Thomas Wallgren** (Helsinki), "Getting it Right: On metaphysics and moral philosophy in contemporary philosophy of mind" ; 2.11. **Charles Travis** (King's College), "Boundless"; 7.11. **Johan Strang**, "von Wright som eklektiker"; 14.11. **Fredrik Lång**, "Spengler återanvänd".