Fifth European	Pragmatism
Conference	

9.00-12.30

Wednesday, 20 August

Panel Sessions I

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8.15	Registration
8.40 - 9.00	Welcoming words in Atrium:
	Michael Festl

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Room: Gallus	Room: Vadian	Room: Rosenberg	Room: Rotmonten	Room: Säntis
1 Early feminist pragmatist visions of public life: work, play, politics, and conflict Chair: Juliana Acosta	Philosophy of Technology Chair: Alvin Panjeta	3 Meliorist Ethics of Historiography and Pragmatist Philosophy of the Humanities Chair: Heidi Salaverría	4 Democracy as a way of life. Involuntary association, unchosen cohabitation and an ethos of openness to uninvited challenges Chair: Just Serrano	5 Pragmatism and Flourishing: Collective Intelligence, Epistemic Community, and the Ethics of Memory Chair: Ana Honnacker
Judy Whipps Grand Valley State University Florence Kelly: Social Rights and Equity in the Workplace	Antje Gimmler University of Aalborg To Imagine the Unforeseen – Dewey's Concept of Dramatic Rehearsal as a Tool for Technology Assessment	Marnie Binder California State University A Pragmatist History of Philosophy	Anna Boncompagni University of California, Irvine Agreement, disagreement, and democracy as a form of life	Leyla Abbasi Heidelberg University The Pragmatist Enlightenment – Collective Intelligence as Pillar of Democracy
Laura Camas Garrido Complutense University of Madrid Children's Play as Everyday Aesthetic Experience: Jane Addams and Her Legacy in the Philosophy of Education	Giovanni Maddalena University of Molise <i>The philosophy of gesture and</i> <i>technological artifacts</i>	Tullio Viola Maastricht University Toward a Pragmatist-Inspired "Philosophy of the Humanities in Practice"	Andreas Hetzel University of Hildesheim Democratic Eudaimonia. On the performative meaning of forms of life	Paniel Reyes Cárdenas Oblate School of Theology Royce and The Epistemic Community: A Semiotic Approach
Núria Sara Miras Boronat University of Barcelona A Socialized Self: Jessie Taft on the Woman's Movement Towards Social Consciousness	Maria Regina Brioschi University of Milan Does AI need Pragmatism? Past and future research in philosophy of technology	Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen University of Oulu <i>Methodologism as a philosophy of</i> <i>historiography</i>	Katrin Wille University of Hildesheim Democracy as a form of life and the relevance of involuntary association	Daniel Herbert Roehampton University Naturalism and Value in Peirce's Theory of Inquiry
Sunny Heenen University of Sourthern Illinois A New Power in the Universe: Mary Parker Follett on Conflict, Community, and Co-Creation	University of Molise The Digital Is Not a 1:1 World	Sami Pihlström University of Helsinki <i>Meliorism and Realism in Pragmatist</i> <i>Philosophy of Historiography</i>	Sebastian Weydner-Volkmann Ruhr University Bochum Uninvited Contradictions: Digital Echo Chambers in the light of Dewey's Ethos of Inquiry	Ruth Murphy / Joshua Forstenzer University of Cambridge/University of Sheffield 'Why did he tell us that?' Memory Studies, Deweyan Aesthetics, and the Power of Dissonance in Existential Inquiry

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Panel Sessions II

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1 Pragmatism and Philosophy of Science in Practice:	2 Facing nature: inquiries, problematizations and	3 Pragmatist Perspectives on Vulnerability	4 Pragmatism in the Critical Study of Emerging	5 Pragmatism and Psychologies
Perspectives from the UK Chair: Philipp Dorstewitz	institutions Chair: Michael Anacker	Chair: Rocco Monti	Technologies Chair: Iwan Alijew	Chair: Teresa Roversi
Erman Sözüdoğru University College London Naturalist account of context: situation, inquiry and experience	Alvin Panjeta / Lucas Boucaud Paris-Est Créteil University/Rouen Normandy University From sustainability to forest-ability: a semio- pragmatist approach to the living beings	Michael Reder Munich School of Philosophy Vulnerability as the Core of a Pragmatist Approach to Normativity	Henrik Rydenfelt / Samuel Singler University of Helsinki/University of Essex Experimenting with Values: Pragmatist Models for the Study of Technology	Francesca Bordogna University of Notre Dame Vernon Lee and the Reception of Pragmatism in Italy
Maria Serban University of East Anglia Making Measurement Work: A Pragmatist Approach to Quantifying Mathematical Ability	Manuel Boutet Côte d'Azur University The limits to inquiries' delegation and its institutionalization: the difficult problematization of agroecology in France	Ana Honnacker LMU Munich Practicing Moral Responsiveness: Environmental Pragmatism and vulnerability	Samuel Singler / Henrik Rydenfelt University of Essex/University of Helsinki Whose Futures? Expertise and Expectation in Studying Surveillance and Media Technologies	Michela Bella University of Molise Ethel Puffer's Psychology of Beauty and the Woman Question
Davide Rizza University of East Anglia Scientific realism and the theory of enquiry	Alexandra Bidet CMH-CNRS When vital and institutionalized inquiries split apart: the case of Lyme Disease	Danilo Gajic Munich School of Philosophy Vulnerability and Social Critique	Brendan Hogan New York University To What End? Questions Concerning a Future with AI	Claudia Cristalli Tilburg University At the Origins of Pragmatism: Peirce, Bain, and the British Empiricists
Chiara Ambrosio University College London <i>Teaching Pragmatism as a Philosophy</i> of Science in Practice	Solène Sarnowski CSI, Mines Paris Ecological valuation : how ecological concerns shape daily inquiries about 'what truly matters'	Isabel Kaeslin University of Southampton Virtues for Public Life, Virtues for Personal Relationships: A Deweyan Account of the Interplay between Open-Mindedness and Epistemic Vulnerability	Matthew Robb / Lawrence Marcelle Parsons School of Design <i>Dewey, Design and Disinformation</i>	Lisa Kampen Radboud University Pragmatism as Idealism? The Case of Mary Whiton Calkins

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1 The (Absolute?) Ethics of Pragmatism and the Future of Democracy Chair: Stéphane Madelrieux	2 Richard Rorty's Pragmatism as Political Resource in our Dark Times Chair: Jonathan Knowles	3 New Horizons for Pragmatist Anthropology: Interests, Technology, and Confusion Chair: Barbara Formis	4 The Ideal and the Actual: Reflections on Emerson and Pragmatism Chair: Katrin Wille	5 Pragmatism, Normativity and Ontology Chair: Henrik Rydenfelt
Randall Auxier Southern Illinois University Carbondale/University of Wrocalw The Absolute Is Not God	Chris Voparil Lynn University Rorty's Normative Conception of Philosophy	Roberta Dreon Ca' Foscari University Aesthetic Interestedness: Looking for a Bio-Cultural Account	Joseph Urbas Université Bordeaux Montaigne Prefigurations of Peircean Agapism in Emerson's Theory of Justice	Robert Kraut Ohio State University Pragmatism, Social Construction, Social Injustice
Christph Seibert University of Hamburg <i>Absolute Pragmatism, Loyalty, and</i> <i>Truth</i>	Martin Müller University of Tübingen Rorty's Liberal Ironist as Resource in Our Tribalist Myside Society	Matteo Santarelli Università di Bologna Is disinterestedness possible at all? A Pragmatist Perspective	Nicholas L. Guardiano Southern Illinois University Carbondale Emerson's Forms of Beauty: Aesthetic Pluralism and the Idea of Beauty in American Art	Joshua Gert College of William and Mary Inferentialism is not Neopragmatism
Leszek Koczanowicz Princeton University Democracy and the Ethics of Non- consensual Dialogue	Susan Dieleman University of Lethbridge Truth and Trust in Rorty	Pierre Steiner Compiegne University Techniques and Anthropology: Some Insights from Pragmatism	Valentina de Feo University of Milan The Polarity Fate-Power: Inner Force of Life in the Philosophical Thought of Emerson and Nietzsche	José Zalabardo University College London The Justification of Charity. A Pragmatist Approach
Marcin Kilanowski Nicolas Copernicus University New Ethics for Today	Michael Bacon Royal Holloway, University of London Rorty's Postmodernist Bourgeois Radicalism	Mathias Girel Ecole Normale Superieure In the Twilight. Confusion and its Challenges for a Pragmatist Anthropology	Serge Grigoriev Ithaca College Historicity of Being in Emerson's Pragmatic Idealism	Matti Eklund Uppsala University Ontology and Normative Takeover

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Panel Sessions V

Individual Paper Sessions

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1 Democratic Experimentalism: Expanding the Aesthetic, Affective, and Epistemic Dimensions of Democracy Chair: Ulf Zackariasson	2 Pragmatism and Naturalism Chair: Mathias Girel	3 Thinking with John Dewey's Aesthetics today Chair: Àger Pérez Casanovas	4 Neo-Pragmatism Chair: Sami Pihlström	5 On Peirce Chair: Simone Bernardi della Rosa
Just Serrano-Zamora Universitat de Barcelona New authoritarianisms, democratic experimentalism and the powers of expression	Stéphane Madelrieux Lyon 3 University Naturalism From a Pragmatist Point of View	Florence Borggrefe Zurich University of the Arts Artistic action as Care	Carlos Vara Sánchez Complutense University of Madrid Making habits and affordances transactional: a pragmatist analysis	Lauri Snellman University of Helsinki <i>Peirce's pragmaticism and the logic of</i> <i>dispositions</i>
Michael Räber University of Lucerne Let's Get Serious About Play: Marcuse and Dewey on Play and Experimentation as Tools for Democratic Emancipation	Emmanuel Renault Paris Nanterre University/IUF <i>The Hegelian Permanent Deposit in</i> <i>Dewey's Naturalism</i>	Susanne Schmetkamp University of Fribourg <i>Attentive Flow</i>	Heidi Salaverría Medical School Hamburg R <i>orty, Jaeggi, Klein: On the</i> Solidarity of Progressive Self-Doubt	Juho Lindholm University of Helsinki How to Cope without Peirce's Semiotic Proof of Pragmatism
Àger Perez Casanovas University College London Reimagining Democracy Through Crip Time: Future Paths for a Disability Justice-informed Healthcare Activism in Spain	Arto Charpentier Lyon 3 University John Dewey on the Need and Conditions for Interdisciplinarity	Judith Siegmund Zurich University of the Arts Artistic Actions in Digital Environments	Michael Anacker Ruhr-Universität Bochum Why positivism should matter (more) to pragmatism	Nikos Patelis University of Patras The benefit of the doubt. Peirce's theory of inquiry from anti- Cartesianism to critical common-sense
Philipp Wagenhals University College Dublin Conceptual and Comprehensive: Two Forms of Experimentalism	Chloé Mondémé French National Center for Scientific Research On two types of naturalistic approaches to social action	Katrin Wille University of Hildesheim Aesthetic democratisation: "Art as experience" as a democratisation of aesthetics and as a democratisation through aesthetic experience	Åke Gafvelin Uppsala University <i>The function of</i> 'REALLY'	Rocco Monti Roma Tre-Ecole Normale Superieure Charles S. Peirce's Ethics of Terminology between Logical Notation and Social Articulation

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1 Political Philosophy Chair: Sofia Alexandratos	2 Neo-Pragmatism II Chair: Emil Višňovský	3 Democracy Chair: Michael Räber	4 Truth and Objectivity Chair: James Tartaglia	5 Dewey on Ethics, Reflection, and Aesthetics Chair: Cedric Braun
Ľubomír Dunaj Slovak Academy of Sciences Why Pragmatism? Which Pragmatism?	Giovanni Mariotti University of Parma A Dialectic of the Second Enlightenment? Rorty's Anti- Authoritarianism and its Limits	Ulf Zackariasson Uppsala University Why Is It Essential That We Read: Three Pragmatist Perspectives	Jonathan Knowles Norwegian University of Science and Technology <i>Pragmatism, Truth, and</i> <i>Naturalism: Revisiting the Price-</i> <i>Rorty debate</i>	Scott R. Stroud University of Texas at Austin Between the Ideal and the Real: Expanding Dewey's Account of Moral Ideals with Reference to Ambedkar's Navayana Pragmatism
Francesca Sofia Alexandratos University of Minho Resisting Dominant Patterns in Social Counter-Experiences: A Pragmatist Approach	Øyvind H. Henriksen University of Inland Norway Pragmatic Perfectionism	Štěpán Raška Charles University Jürgen Habermas's Communicative Democracy: Between Peirce and Dewey	Nikola Jandrić University of Belgrade Pragmatism as Subject Naturalism: On Arguments for Going Global	Leonard Waks Temple University John Dewey and Applied Ethics
Luis Miguel Jaraba Andrade Universitat de Barcelona Politics as Community: A Pragmatist Response to Populism and Affective Polarization	Ivan Gospodinov Catholic University of Eichstätt- Ingolstadt Brandom's Linguistic Pragmatism for Philosophers of Education: Analysing Irresponsible Learning	Kevin Dodson Lamar University <i>Constructing a Democratic Culture</i>	Massimo Dell'Utri University of Sassari Objectivity: A Pragmatist Perspective	Teresa Roversi Università di Parma Habit and the Aesthetics of Everyday Life: A Deweyan Re- examination
Panu-Matti Pöykkö University of Helsinki Concrete Ethical Philosophy: pragmatist background of Levinas's ethical thought	Albert Piacente New York University Pragmatism as Philosophical Accretion	Julian Tobias Klar Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg Participatory Pluralism – How Hannah Arendt and John Dewey can help us in reinvigorating our Democracy	Jim O'Shea University College Dublin C. I. Lewis on Alternative Conceptual Frameworks & Empirical Falsification	Savhannah Schulz Aarhus University Dewey, Reflection, and the Enactive Predictive Mind

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