



The Conflict of Mechanism and Teleology in Kant's *Critique of Judgment*

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Monday, 26th May

9:20	Welcome and Introduction
9:30 - 10:30	Peter McLaughlin: Mechanism, Teleology and the Organism (Lebenskraft and commercium)
	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 - 12:00	Paula Órdenes: Mechanism and Its Limits in Kant's Critique of the Teleological Power of Judgment
12:00 - 13:00	Siegfried Roth: Distinctions between living and non-living in Kant and current analytical philosophy. A comparison with an outlook to modern biology
	<i>Lunch Break</i>
14:30 - 15:30	Kristina Engelhard: Formative Power and the Antinomy of Teleological Judgment in Kant's Third Critique
	<i>Coffee Break</i>
16:00 - 17:00	Marcel Quarfood: The Presupposition of the Teleological Antinomy
17:00 - 18:00	Julian Grewe: Revisiting the Constitutive Interpretation of the Antinomy of Teleological Judgment
19:00	<i>Conference Dinner</i>

Tuesday, 27th May

9:30 - 10:30	Ido Geiger: Is There a Conflict between the Maxims of Mechanism and Teleology? Description and Explanation in Kant's Philosophy of Science
	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:00 - 12:00	Lorenzo Spagnesi Maxims of Inquiry: A Zetetic Solution to the Antinomy of Teleological Judgment
12:00 - 13:00	Filippo Iorillo: Kant on the Peculiarity of our Human Understanding in the Dialectic of the Teleological Power of Judgment
	<i>Lunch Break</i>
14:30 - 15:30	Dietmar Heidemann: The possibility of the Intuitive understanding
	<i>Coffee Break</i>
16:00 - 17:00	Karen Koch: Kant on the Relation between Mechanism, Teleology, and Intuitive Understanding