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Closing conference of the research project EnTrust-Endogenous Institutional Trustworthiness (PI: Emanuela Ceva, University of Geneva), Northeastern University, College of Social Sciences and Humanities (Boston MA), 6-7 June 2024

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1. Seminar

• Geneva Colloquium in Political Theory – [GECOPOL](#)

- 27 November, 12:15: Nikolas Kirby (University of Glasgow)
Unjust Shadows: Living With the Burden of Distrust

2. Workshop

• Workshop on Partiality - The Chair for Ethics and Political Philosophy of the University of Fribourg

- When: 27 November
- Where: Université de Fribourg (Miséricorde), Av. de l'Europe 20, 1700 Fribourg (in person)
- Programme:
 - Room: Salon des Professeurs MIS02 2113
 - 9.15-10.45: Jakob Werkmäster (Lund University): “Fitting for Whom? Love, Blame and Relational Values”
 - 11.00-12.30: Anna Goppel (University of Bern): “Wronging Friends” (pre-read)
- Room: Salle Jaeggi MIS04 4112
 - 13.30-15.00: Oded Na’aman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): “A Problem for Relationship Accounts of Partiality”
 - 15.15-16.45: Ralf Bader (University of Fribourg): “Partiality and Agent-Relativity”

All are welcome. If you would like to attend, please register via sarah.koeglsperger@unifr.ch

3. Book Workshop

• Book Workshop on *The Right Not to Stay: Justice in Migration, the Liberal Democratic State, and the Case of Temporary Migrations Projects* (OUP 2022)

- When: 29 November
- Where: University of Geneva (Uni Mail)
- Programme:
 - Room: MS030, 16:00
 - Speakers: Valeria Ottonelli (University of Genova) and Tiziana Torresi (University of Adelaide)
 - Discussants: Esma Baycan Herzog (University of Geneva) and Dario Mazzola (University of Geneva and University of Bergen)
 - Chair: Matteo Gianni (University of Geneva)
 - Organization: Emanuela Ceva (University of Geneva)

This is an in-person workshop. Online (Zoom) participation will be possible. To participate via zoom, please register by Monday, November 27th, by sending an email to francesco.chiesa@unige.ch



Rethinking Institutions for Animals

Workshop at the Department of Philosophy, University of Basel, Switzerland

7 & 8. March 2024

Organizers: Angela Martin; Emnée van den Brandeler

Call for Abstracts

The Beastly Politics group at the University of Basel is organizing a two-day in person workshop on rethinking and reforming social institutions for sentient nonhuman animals on 7th & 8th of March 2024. The workshop's topic is situated at the intersection of (animal) ethics and political philosophy.

In the last decade, the animal ethics literature took a political turn, and focused, amongst other things, on political and other social institutions and how they should be changed to be more inclusive of animals. For the workshop, we invite submissions that discuss how social institutions (such as governments, the legal system, but also the media, economy and the education system) should be reformed to properly include animals and their interests. Confirmed speakers are Prof. Alasdair Cochrane (University of Sheffield), Prof. Steve Cooke (University of Leicester) and Dr. Friderike Spang (University of Lausanne).

Possible topics include (but are not limited to) the following:

- How should our duties towards sentient nonhuman animals be institutionalized on a political level?
- How should animals' interests be represented during political deliberation?
- According to which criteria can we judge institutions to be just and fair towards animals?
- What institutional circumstances are required to correct for past animal injustices?
- How do we meaningfully embed animal protection into social institutions?
- How should we make the transition towards just institutions for animals?

Abstracts should be between max. 500-1,000 words long and suitable for a 30-minute presentation. We strongly encourage authors from underrepresented groups in philosophy to apply.

Please submit a pdf of your abstract prepared for anonymous review to Emnée van den Brandeler (vandenbrandeler.emnee@unibas.ch) by **1st of December 2023**. We will inform accepted speakers mid-December. If you have any questions about the workshop, please also contact Emnée via email.

Important dates:

- Submission deadline: 1st of December
- Decision of acceptance: Mid-December 2023
- Workshop: 7th and 8th of March



Call for Abstracts

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Closing conference of the research project [EnTrust-Endogenous Institutional Trustworthiness](#)

(PI: Emanuela Ceva, University of Geneva)

Northeastern University, College of Social Sciences and Humanities (Boston MA)

6-7 June 2024

Keynote speakers

Kimberley Brownlee (University of British Columbia) - Erin Kelly (Tufts University)

Resistance to and contestation of such institutional failures as injustice, illegitimacy, and corruption play crucial roles in shaping the life of a polity. Philosophers have extensively discussed the conceptual and normative contours of different forms of resistance and contestation, such as principled (civil and uncivil) disobedience, direct action, rioting, conscientious objection, whistleblowing. However, the vast majority of such discussions have concentrated on the justification of the rights and duties of resistance and contestation of citizens. A lesser attention has been devoted to the rights and duties of resistance and contestation of public servants.

The conference welcomes contributions that variably investigate forms of internal or external reactions to institutional failures, shed light on the (remedial) duties of the members of dysfunctional institutions, explore the impact of institutional dysfunctions for the quality of institutional action (e.g., institutional trustworthiness) and/or explore the emotional landscape such dysfunctions may elicit.

We welcome submissions from junior philosophers (max 5 years after PhD) addressing different aspects of citizens' and public servants' resistance to and contestation of institutional failure from an analytical, normative, or critical point of view.

Possible topics include, but are not limited to:

- Comparative conceptual and normative accounts of citizens' and public servants' resistance
- Conceptual discussions of political resistance and its instances
- Resistance's role and function in the public institutional context
- Normative attitudes towards resistance and (unlawful) contestation
- Resistance: moral right or moral duty?
- Resistance, contestation and institutional and professional obligations
- Practical emotions and resistance's affective dimension

Submitting a proposal:

1. Prepare an extended abstract as an attachment in MS Word or a .pdf (500-1000 words, including selected bibliography). The abstract should be suitable for blind review.
2. Include in the body of the email relevant contact information: the author(s), department(s) and affiliation(s), mailing address(es), email address(es); and phone number(s) and declaration of the status of junior scholar (PhD +5years max)
3. Email the abstract and contact information to Marta Giunta Martino at marta.giunta@unige.ch by **17:00 UTC, Friday 8 Dec. 2023**.

Authors of accepted proposals will be notified by mid-January 2024. The conference will provide all attending invited participants with refreshments and offer suggestions for area lodging. No financial contribution to travel and accommodation / living costs can be offered. There is no conference fee.

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