

The Metaphysics of Representation

workshop in Ligerz, Wednesday 22 August – Sunday, 26th of August 2018 (noon)

As part of its [Swiss Doctoral Programme in Philosophy](#), the Centre for the Philosophy and Theology of Being at the University of Lucerne: *οὐσία*, is organising a small and informal workshop in beautiful Ligerz.

Please consult the website for additional information:

<https://philipp.philosophie.ch/workshops/metaphysicsofmind.html>

For all questions and inquiries, please write to the workshop organiser, philipp.blum@philosophie.ch.

CfP. The aim of this small informal workshop is to discuss the metaphysics of representation, both from a systematic perspective and in view of its history.

Location. The conference takes place in the beautifully located bilingual village of Ligerz / Gléresse, on the shores of the lake of Biel/Bienne (also bilingual):



Talks and meals are at the Aarbergerhaus, where a beamer and facilities to print out handouts are available. Participants stay at the so-called “Louis Haus”, where there’s also a small bar for late-night drinks. When you get out of the train arriving either from Neuchâtel or from Biel/Bienne, and you face the mountain and the church (turning your back to the lake), the Aarbergerhaus is to your right (in the direction of Biel), about 150 m along the main road. You reach it after passing by the hotel “Kreuz” and by going through a garden door located at your left (facing Biel), just before there is a street for cars on your right going over a small bridge (in the direction of the lake). Please come there when you arrive. (The Louis-Haus, in contrast, is to your left when you are at the station, about 50m through the pedestrian street, on your right just before the fountain).

Please note. While towels and bed-sheet are provided, for some reason shampoo and shower cream are not (though there is soap). If you need these, bring them along.

Arrival. It would be good if participants arrive at the Aarbergerhaus by **Wednesday, 23rd of August, 19.00** for dinner. If you arrive late, please let me know. Ligerz is mid-way between Biel/Bienne and Neuchâtel and reachable by train in 1h43 from Zurich Airport, in 1h50 from Geneva Airport and in 1h55 from Basel EuroAirport (cf. www.sbb.ch – no need to plan in too much time, Swiss trains are never late and all three airports are reasonably small).

Reimbursement. Please buy your tickets yourself; you can also buy in advance the train tickets you need (they are valid for a whole day) and have them sent to you by email. Please see to it that you have pdfs or scan-able documents for all your expenses.

There are two paper boards, and a beamer for ppt presentations (bring an adapter); there is also an opportunity to make last-minute photocopies.

Discussion sessions. Discussion sessions should be introduced by the moderator (5-25 min.) and then also chaired by that person. They may focus on a recent article or discussion (not necessarily written by the moderator or any of the other participants) or on a specific question of interest to the moderator (and, hopefully, the audience).

Reading material. It would be good if as much as possible of the reading material could be made available to participants in advance (via a dropbox folder, for which I have hopefully sent you an invitation). This includes (i) abstracts / drafts; (ii) background reading, e.g. articles by others specifically discussed or older texts not easily available.

Program: 9 talks (1h30 min sessions, perhaps 45 min talk, 45 Q&A, but that's up to you), 6 discussion sessions (1h, briefly set up / 'animated' by some volunteer):

time	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
9-10.30	talk1	talk3	talk6	talk9
10.45-11.45	disc1	disc2	disc3	disc5
13.30-15.00	talk2	talk4	talk7	
15.15-16.45	free	talk5	talk8	
17-18	free	talk5	disc4	

Participants: Philipp Blum, Gyula Klima, Mark Kalderon, Charles Travis, José Pereira da Silva, Steve Humbert-Droz, Michal Hladky, Callie K. Phillips, Andrea Raimondi

Meals. You are booked for the following meals:

Wednesday, 19.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Thursday, 12.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Thursday, 19.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Friday, 12.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Friday, 19.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Saturday, 12.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Steve, Michal, Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Saturday, 19.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Andrea (vegetarian), Steve, Michal, Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Sunday, 12.00 Philipp, Charles (no meat, fish ok), Steve, Michal, Gyula, Agnes, Mark, Callie, José

Programme:

Thurs, 9-11.45 Philipp Blum, Toward a Metaphysics of the Representation Relation

Thurs, 13.30-15 Gyula Klima, Form and Intention

Fr, 15.04 departure of the cable car to Prêles

Fri, 9-10.30 Mark Kalderon, Perception and Extramission in *De quantitate animae*

Fri, 10.45-11.45 discussion: Realism about Colours, animated by Philipp Blum

Fri, 13.30-15 José Pereira da Silva, Seings and Seemings: Medieval Representations and the Philosophy of Perception

Fri, 15.15-18 Charles Travis, Their Work and Why They Do It

Sat, 9-10.30 Andrea Raimondi, Tim Crane's Notion of Intentionality: A Critical Assessment

Sat, 10.45-11.45 discussion: Frege and Russell on singular thought, animated by Charles Travis

Sat, 13.30-15 Callie K. Phillips, Value-based Interpretationism

Sat, 15.15-16.45 Steve Humbert-Droz and Michal Hladky, Mental Models

Sat, 17-18 discussion: The Representation of Values, animated by Philipp Blum

Sun, 9-10.30 Philipp Blum, The Metaphysics of Appearances

Sun, 10.45-11.45 wrap-up discussion