



**THE WORLD PHENOMENOLOGY INSTITUTE'S  
2015 CAMBRIDGE CONFERENCE**

**THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL CAMBRIDGE CONFERENCE**

**TOPIC:**

***HUMAN/NON-HUMAN/AND POSTHUMAN:***

***PHENOMENOLOGY OF THE OBJECT AND***

***THE HUMAN POSITIONING IN THE COSMOS***

**June 4 - 6, 2015**

**Harvard University Science Center, Hall A, located at 1 Oxford Street,  
Cambridge, Massachusetts, 02138, USA**

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## Thursday, June 4, 2015

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### **8:00 – 9:00    REGISTRATION, COFFEE TEA, PASTRIES**

### **9:00 – 9:15    CONFERENCE OPENING AND GREETINGS**

William S. Smith, WPI Executive President & Jadwiga S. Smith, WPI Co-President (American Division)

### **9:15 – 9:35    PLENARY**

**The Subject/Object Relationship According to the Phenomenology of Life of Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka.  
Discovering the Metamorphic Logos of the Ontopoiesis of Life**

Daniela Verducci, WPI Co-President (European/Asian Division)

### **9:40 – 12:15    SESSION I: *HOMAGE TO ANNA-TERESA TYMIENIECKA***

**Phenomenology of Life, Emergence of the Black Matter and Human Creativity**

Mamuka G.Dolidze, Tbilisi Javakhisvili State University, Georgia

**A Human Being - A Part of the Cosmos or the Cosmos Itself**

Konul Bunyadzade, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, Baku

### **10:30 – 10:45    (COFFEE, TEA BREAK)**

**The Man in the System of World Coordinates on the Basis of Extreme Dynamic Equilibriums**

Nikolay Kozhevnikov, Philosophical Society of the Sakha Republic (Yakutia) *and* Vera Danilova, North-Eastern Federal University

**Cosmic Nihilism and Destiny of Object in Modern Philosophy**

Olena Shkubulyani, Komovalov, Russia

**Person, Right, Moral in Anna-Teresa Tymieniecka**

Luisa Avitabile, University of Cassino

### **FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION OF PAPERS**

### **12:15 – 1:30    LUNCH BREAK**

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### **1:30 – 6:00    SESSION II: TECHNOLOGY AND HUMAN MIND**

#### **Phenomenological Intentionality and Neurosciences: The Extended Mind**

Dario Sacchi, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

### **3:30 – 3:45    (COFFEE, TEA BREAK)**

#### **“Der Menschliche Mensch”: Heinrich Rombach's “Strukturanthropologie”**

Stefano F. Rossi, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

#### **Socrates, Portia, and Derrida in the Name of Justice**

Kimiyo Murata-Soraci, Tama University

#### **The Eastern Visions of the Human Positioning in the Cosmos in the *Yi Jing* and the "Chandogya Upanishad" and on the Early Vietnamese Bronze Drums**

Chanh Cong Phan, San Jose State University

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### 9:00 – 12:30    **SESSION III: *TRANSCENDENTAL IDEALISM – INVESTIGATION CONTINUES***

#### **Ecce Zarathustra**

Marcella Tarozzi Goldsmith, Independent Scholar

#### **Returning to the Being: A Possibility for Relieving of the Subject-Object Dichotomy, A Dialogue between Mulla Sadra and Heidegger**

Hossein Kalbasi Ashtari, Allameh Tabatabai University

#### **Philosophical Hermeneutics and Community: Notes on the Practical Aspect of Gadamer's Thought**

Gustavo Silvano Batista, Federal University of Piaui

#### **Phenomenology, Formal Ontology, Coalgebras. A Theoretical Model of Max Scheler's Phenomenology of Perception**

Martina Properzi, University degli studi di Perugia

### 10:30 – 10:45    **(COFFEE, TEA BREAK)**

#### **Transcendental Idealism and Husserl's Metaphysical Position**

Jingjing Li, McGill University

#### **Problems of the Phenomenological Conscious-Intentional Constitutiveness**

Lucian Delescu, Berkeley College, New York

#### **Living Evidence**

Susi Ferrarello, Loyola University, Saybrook University

### **FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION OF PAPERS**

### 12:30 – 2:00    **WPI LUNCHEON AT THE HARVARD FACULTY CLUB (20 Quincy Street, Cambridge)**

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### **2:00 – 6:00    SESSION IV: *POLITICS / SOCIAL ISSUES / QUESTION OF UNIVERSALITY***

**(Session IV will be held concurrently with Session V)**

#### **Freedom and the Human Positioning in the Lifeworld: The Transcendence-Immanence Contrast in Simone de Beauvoir's Existentialist Feminism**

Abdul Rahim Afaki, University of Karachi

#### **Towards a Phenomenological Critique of Hegel's Negative Treatment of Africa, India and China in *The Philosophy of History***

Rajesh Sampath, Brandeis University

#### **A General Theory of Malay Akal-budi**

A.L. Samian, National University of Malaysia

### **3:30 – 3:45    (COFFEE, TEA BREAK)**

#### **Over-Human Against Pop-Human. S.I. Witkiewicz About the Metaphysical**

Leszek Sosnowski, Uniwersytet Jagiellonski

#### ***Brave New World: A Confinement Between Mythical and Behaviourist World-Views***

Aydan Turanli, Istanbul Technical University

#### **Mereology, Individuality, and Differential Universality**

Imafedia Okhamafe, University of Nebraska

#### **The Thing/Beast/Human Relationships in the Autobiographies of Camara Laye and Wole Soyinka**

Tony E. Afejuku, University of Benin

#### **A Phenomenology of Human Life: Hannah Arendt's Conception of Human Dignity**

Elodie Gontier, Universite Sorbonne, Paris

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### **2:00 – 6:00    SESSION V: ART AND THE QUESTION HUMANITY**

(Session V will be held in room 109 in the Science Building and will run concurrently with Session IV)

#### **The Texture of the Verbal Event Touched by Archi-Writing**

Erkut Sezgin, Istanbul Kultur University

#### **The Force of Things Unknown**

Christopher S. Schreiner, University of Guam

#### **Paul Klee's *Ad Parnassum* and the Reworking of Consciousness**

Bruce Ross, Burlington College, Independent Degree Program

### **3:30 – 3:45    (COFFEE, TEA BREAK)**

#### **Transhumanism in Popular Culture**

Natalia Kucma, Jagiellonian University

#### **Macrocosm, Microcosm and a New Phenomenological Domain of Conceptual Art: Aura Analytics**

Sedaqet Aliyeva, Azerbaijan University

#### **Art as Intensification of Experience**

Stefano Polenta, Universita de Macerata

#### **On the Distorted Reflection of God and Man in Ingmar Bergman's *Through a Glass Darkly***

Victor G. Rivas Lopez, University of Puebla

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**Saturday, June 6, 2015**

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**9:00 – 12:15    SESSION VI: *HUMAN / BEAST / OBJECT***

**The Beast vs. Human**

John N. Balsavich, Bridgewater State University

**The Situation of Human Being in Nature According to Fedor Dostoyevsky, Thomas Mann, and Robert Musil: A Paradoxical Builder, a Self-Enhancing Bing and a Speaking-Animal**

Michel Dion, Universite de Sherbrooke

**Transitions of Harmony: Toward a Phenomenology of Inter-Species Dialogue in E.B. White**

Peter R. Costello, Providence College

**Is it Possible to Transfer Humanism in the Post-Human Age?**

Salahaddin Khalilov, Azerbaijan University

**10:30 – 10:45    (COFFEE, TEA BREAK)**

**The Status of the Object and the "Object" in Post-Structuralism Postmodernity**

Piotr Mroz, Uniwersytet Jagiellonski

**Dialogo Ergo Sum: Subjectivity, Posthuman and Non-Human Alterities**

Roberto Marchesini, School of Human-Animal Interaction

**The Machine in Time Travel Short Fiction**

Andrea D. Howe, Bridgewater State University

**A Criticism of the Current Subjectivist Totemism in Werner Herzog's *Grizzly Man***

Victor G. Rivas Lopez, University of Puebla

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## Saturday, June 6, 2015

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### 1:30 – 6:00    SESSION VII: HUMAN / NATURE / COSMOS

**Human -- Posthuman -- New Dimensions of Reflection on Human Being**

Joanna Handerek, Uniwersytet Jagiellonski

**The Destabilization of Ethics in a Universe of Artifacts, Jean Ladriere's Rationality of Construction**

Marie Sassine, College Universitaire Dominicain, Ottawa

**The Lived Experience of Post Human Phenomenology**

Debika Saha, University of North Bengal

**Robotics and the Inhuman: Karel Capek, Francois Lyotard, and the Anticipation of Modern Culture**

Mary Catanzaro, Independent Scholar

### 3:30 – 3:45    (COFFEE, TEA BREAK)

**Apeiron Civilization: The Irruption of Infinity in Science, the Universe, and Society**

Ion Soteropoulos, Apeiron Centre

**Divine Return to Essence: Beauty of Nature**

Adil Asadov, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences

**Gopi Krishna's Kundalini, A New Approach to the Subjectivity and Objectivity of Consciousness**

Bruce Ross, Burlington College, Independent Degree Program

**Man as the *Ambassador of the Cosmos*: Henryk Skolimowski's Concept**

Anna Malecka *and* Katarzyna Stark, AGH - University of Science and Technology in Krakow

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