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Since the publication of Stroud's classic paper of 1968, general discussions on transcendental arguments have often been received with serious reservations. At the same time, transcendental arguments continue to play a prominent role in some recent approaches to practical philosophy. Also, some authors argue that transcendental reasoning might be more promising in the context of practical philosophy than in theoretical contexts.

However, the main body of literature on transcendental arguments focuses on examples from theoretical philosophy, while moral philosophers do not always seem to care as much as their colleagues from theoretical philosophy about the precise status and methodological implications of their reasoning.

At this conference, moral philosophers who make use of or have a strong interest in transcendental arguments will meet experts in the structure and the challenges of transcendental reasoning. The dialogue between them may help to clarify the potential of transcendental reasoning in the field of moral philosophy.



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# Transcendental Arguments in Practical Philosophy



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## Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2014

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

### Public Key Note Lecture

Silencing the Sceptic? The Prospects for Transcendental Arguments in Practical Philosophy

Robert Stern (Sheffield)

Chair: Sorin Baiasu

afterwards: *Evening Reception*

## Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014

8:45 am – 9:00 am

### Welcome Addresses

Bärbel Friedrich (Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg), Micha Werner and Jens Peter Brune (University of Greifswald)

### Session 1: Catwalk of Transcendental Arguments in Practical Philosophy

9:00 am – 10:30 am

Gewirth's Dialectical Method as a Type of Transcendental Argumentation

Deryck Beyleveld (Durham)

Transcendental-Pragmatic Foundation of Ethics

Wolfgang Kuhlmann (Aachen)

10:30 am – 11:00 am

*Coffee Break*

11:00 am – 12:30 am

Transcendental Arguments in Favor of Absolute Values

Gerhard Schönrich (Dresden)

Self-fulfilling and Self-violating Norms

Alexander Hieke (Salzburg)

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

*Lunch*

### Session 2: Types and Structures of Transcendental Arguments

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Claims as Departure Points for Transcendental Arguments

Niels Gottschalk-Mazouz (Bayreuth)

What might be gained by Logically Reconstructing Transcendental Arguments in Practical Philosophy?

A Case Study using Alan Gewirth's "Justificatory Argument for Human Rights"

Friedrich Reinmuth (Greifswald)

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

*Coffee Break*

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Who are we? Anthropological Preconditions for Transcendental Reasoning

Christian Illies (Bamberg)

Dialogical Kantian Constructivism – Why and How?

Micha H. Werner (Greifswald)

5:30 pm – 6:00 pm

*Break*

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Panel I: Transcendental Arguments: An Inventory

Chair: Christian Suhm (Greifswald)

7:30 pm

*Conference Dinner*

## Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014

### Session 3: Validity and Scope of Transcendental Arguments

9:00 am – 10:30 am

Volitional Self-contradiction, Transcendental Reasoning, and Kant's Formula of Universal Law

Pauline Kleingeld (Groningen)

How to avoid Idealistic Fallacies in Transcendental Argumentation

Horst Gronke (Berlin)

10:30 am – 11:00 am

*Coffee Break*

11:00 am – 12:30 am

Normative Pragmatics: Idea, Method, Outlooks

Raising Validity Claims for Reasons. The Transcendental Argument in Apelian Discourse Ethics and How it can be improved

Matthias Kettner (Witten-Herdecke)

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

*Lunch*

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Transcendental Reasoning and Epistemically Constrained Truth

Boris Rähme (Trento)

Performative Inconsistency: Empirical and Retorsive Readings

Jens Peter Brune (Berlin/Greifswald)

3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

*Coffee Break*

### Session 4: Promises and Problems of Transcendental Arguments (I)

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

The Failure of Transcendental Arguments for Duties to Others

Frederike Kaldewaij (Utrecht)

Wittgensteinian Transcendental Pragmatics: A Kantian Philosophy extended and transformed by "Sinnkritik"?

Audun Øfsti (Trondheim)

5:30 pm – 6:00 pm

*Break*

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm

### Public Key Note Lecture

Transcendental Arguments in Practical Philosophy

Stephen Darwall (Yale)

Chair: Robert Stern

## Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2014

### Session 5: Promises and Problems of Transcendental Arguments (II)

9:00 am – 10:30 am

Advantage and Disadvantage of Transcendental Pragmatics for the Life – and the Need for Gradual Reasoning

Gunnar Skirbekk (Bergen)

Quick Arguments vs. Frugal Vision. Comparative Thoughts on Straightforward and Iterative Transcendental Reasoning Towards Moral Principles

Dennis Badenhop (Greifswald)

10:30 am – 11:00 am

*Coffee Break*

11:00 am – 12:30 am

Transcendental Justification in Ethics: Epistemological Basis and Anthropological Dimensions

Marcus Düwell (Utrecht)

Constitutivism and Transcendental Practical Philosophy

Sorin Baiasu (Keele/Vienna)

12:30 pm – 13:00 pm

Panel II: The Future of Transcendental Arguments in Practical Philosophy

Chair: Micha H. Werner (Greifswald)

13:00 pm

*Lunch*