

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SCEPTICISM FROM ANTIQUITY TO MODERN TIMES

THURSDAY 11 MAY 2017

10:00 – 12:00 (EARLY) MODERN TIMES I

Chair: Dirk Westerkamp (*Universität Kiel*)

Scepticism in Modern Times

Sébastien Charles

(*Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières*)

Varieties of Early Modern Scepticism

Stephan Schmid (*Universität Hamburg*)

13:00 – 15:00 (EARLY) MODERN TIMES II

Chair: Stephan Schmid (*Universität Hamburg*)

The Road not Taken:

Why was Spinoza not a Sceptic?

Yitzhak Melamed (*Johns Hopkins University*)

Salomon Maimon:

Scepticism of the First and Second Order

Gideon Freudenthal (*Tel Aviv University*)

15:30 – 16:30 FINAL DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Giuseppe Veltri, Emidio Spinelli, Stephan Schmid
and Rachel Haliva



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JEWISH SCEPTICISM



The First International Conference on Scepticism at the University of Hamburg, organised by the Maimonides Centre for Advanced Studies in close co-operation with the Department of Philosophy at La Sapienza University of Rome, addresses the main elements, strategies, and definitions of scepticism with a focus on ancient, medieval, and early modern philosophy. A group of established professors and junior scholars working on PhDs and post-docs will lecture on the main questions of sceptical philosophy, such as the criteria for defining and distinguishing ancient scepticism from modern scepticism and the debates on the existence and meaning of a Jewish (anti-) scepticism.

The event is open to the public, with advance registration via e-mail.

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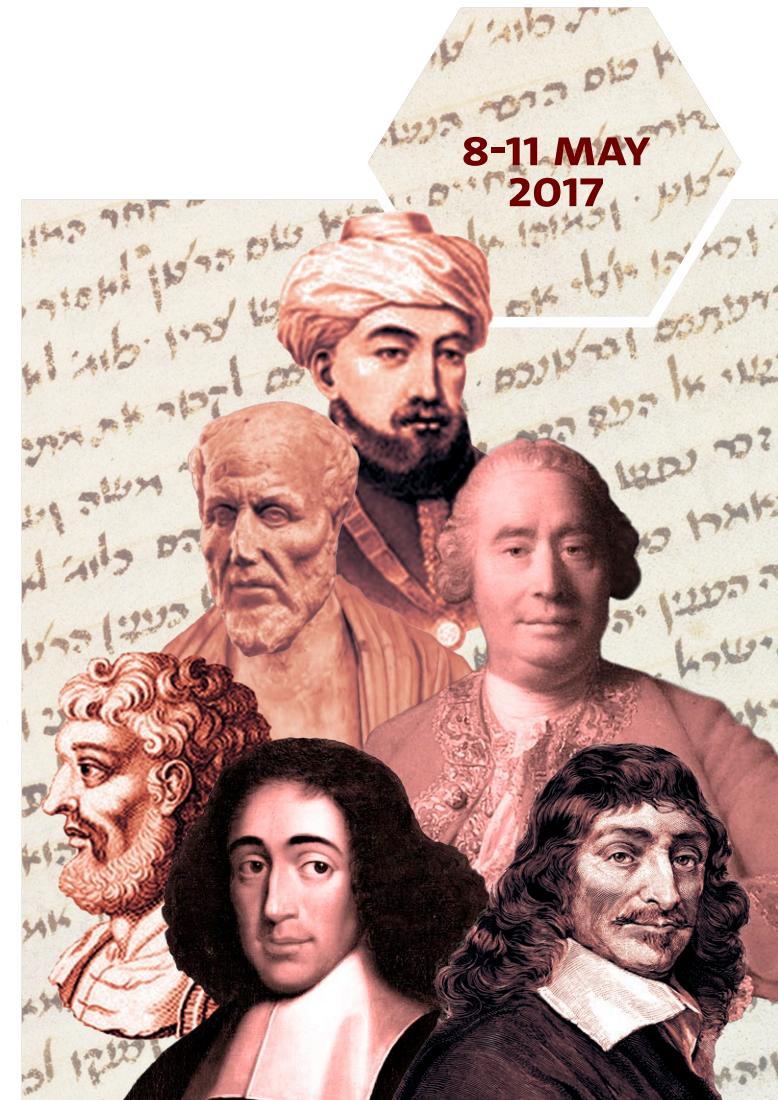
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PROGRAMME

MONDAY 8 MAY 2017		TUESDAY 9 MAY 2017		WEDNESDAY 10 MAY 2017	
13:30	REGISTRATION				
14:00 – 14:15	INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS <i>Giuseppe Veltri (Universität Hamburg) and Emidio Spinelli (Sapienza Università di Roma)</i>	10:00 – 12:00	ANTIQUITY III <i>Chair: Emidio Spinelli (Sapienza Università di Roma) Sextus Empiricus' Use of δύναμις Stéphane Marchand (ENS de Lyon) Agrippan Pyrrhonism, Questionable Assumptions, and the Epistemic Challenge of Disagreement Diego Machuca (CONICET Buenos Aires)</i>	09:30 – 10:30	ANTIQUITY V <i>Chair: Dorothea Frede (Universität Hamburg) Ancient vs. Early Modern Scepticism: Was There a Cartesian Revolution? Gisela Striker (Harvard University)</i>
14:15 – 15:15	ANTIQUITY I <i>Chair: Giuseppe Veltri (Universität Hamburg) Dialectic and Sophisms: the Sceptical Dissolution of Dogmatic Logic Emidio Spinelli (Sapienza Università di Roma)</i>	13:00 – 15:00	ANTIQUITY IV <i>Chair: Christian Brockmann (Universität Hamburg) Plotinus and Scepticism Jan Opsomer (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven) Scepticism and Monotheism. A Specific Relation? Charles Lévy (Université Paris-Sorbonne)</i>	11:00 – 13:00	MIDDLE AGES I <i>Chair: Racheli Haliva (Universität Hamburg) What is Maimonidean Scepticism? Josef Stern (University of Chicago) The Problem of Many Gods in Al-Ghazali, Averroes, Maimonides, and Crescas Zev Harvey (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)</i>
15:45 – 17:45	ANTIQUITY II <i>Chair: Benjamin Schnieder (Universität Hamburg) Ancient Scepticism and its Interlocutors Katja Vogt (Columbia University New York) (via web conferencing) Academic Scepticism and the Teachability of Practical Ethics Charles Snyder (Universität Hamburg)</i>	15:30 – 17:30	ROUNDTABLE JUNIOR RESEARCHERS I: ANTIQUITY AND MIDDLE AGES <i>Chair: Zev Harvey (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Sextus Empiricus' Criticism of the Foundations of Ancient Mathematics Benjamin Wilck (Humboldt-Universität Berlin) Lapsarian Scepticism in Cicero's <i>De Natura Deorum</i> Máté Veres (Universität Hamburg) When Scepticism Turns Against the Sceptic: The Use of Scepticism by Medieval Religious Thinkers – The Case of Al-Ghazali, Halevi and Maimonides Ariel Malachi (Bar-Ilan University Ramat-Gan)</i>	14:00 – 16:00	MIDDLE AGES II <i>Chair: Sonja Schierbaum (Universität Hamburg) The Sources of Medieval Scepticism and the Origin of Divine Deception Henrik Lagerlund (University of Western Ontario) Reason and Revelation – Fighting Scepticism in the Context of Islamic Theological Manuals Heidrun Eichner (Universität Tübingen)</i>
18:15 – 18:30	WELCOMING REMARKS <i>Susanne Rupp (Vice-President, Universität Hamburg) Benjamin Schnieder (Chair, Philosophy Department, Universität Hamburg)</i>			16:30 – 18:30	ROUNDTABLE JUNIOR RESEARCHERS II: (EARLY) MODERN TIMES <i>Chair: Yitzhak Melamed (Johns Hopkins University) The Role of Sceptical Doubt in Spinoza's Naturalism José María Sánchez de León Serrano (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Scepticism concerning Self-Knowledge in Early Modern Philosophy: the Case of George Berkeley Ville Paukkonen (University of Helsinki/ Boğaziçi University Istanbul) Narrowing Process and the Context-Sensitivity of Knowledge Attribution Sentences Nancy Abigail Nuñez (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México)</i>
18:30 – 19:30	KEYNOTE SPEECH <i>Enquiring into (Jewish) Scepticism Giuseppe Veltri (Universität Hamburg)</i>				