

The International Reception of Existentialism – September 28th-29th, 2018



University of Vienna, Campus, Old Chapel, Hof 2.8
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Conference Program

Friday, September 28th

- 9:00 a.m. Registration
- 9:15 a.m. Welcome Address
- 9:30 a.m. **Alfred Betschart**, Sartre Society (CH): The International Reception of Existentialism: An Overview

Session 1 (Chair: Adrian van den Hoven)

- 10:00 a.m. **Ronald Aronson**, Wayne State University, Michigan (US): Existentialist Marxism: Sartre's Reception by the American New Left
- 10:40 a.m. **Dror Yinon**, Bar-Ilan University (IL): How Concrete Can One Get? Sartre, Marcuse, and the Conceptualization of the Concrete
- 11:20 a.m. Coffee Break

Session 2 (Chair: Julia Elsky)

- 11:40 a.m. **Rony Klein**, Tel Aviv University (IL): L'Influence de Sartre sur la littérature israélienne: le cas de Hanokh Levin
- 12:20 p.m. **Hiroaki Seki**, University of Tokyo (JP), and **Nariaki Kobayashi**, University of Hitotsubashi (JP): L'Épreuve de l'Autre: une perspective de l'étude sartrienne au Japon
- 1:00 p.m. Lunch Break

Session 3 (Chair: Alfred Betschart)

- 2:00 p.m. **Vincent von Wroblewsky**, Sartre Society (DE): Sartre en Allemagne, même à l'Est
- 2:40 p.m. **Juliane Werner**, University of Vienna (AT): French Cultural Policy and the Transfer of Existentialism in Allied-Occupied Austria
- 3:20 p.m. **Norbert Bachleitner**, University of Vienna (AT): Guéhenno in Gehenna. The English and German Translations of *La nausée*
- 4:00 p.m. Coffee Break

Session 4 (Chair: Norbert Bachleitner)

- 4:20 p.m. **Rosie Germain**, Liverpool Hope University (UK): The Reception of Jean-Paul Sartre at the Universities of Manchester and Oxford after 1945

- 5:00 p.m. **Jamie Andrews**, The British Library (UK): “Cut the lot”: Censoring the Existentialists in the British Theatre
- 5:40 p.m. **Adrian van den Hoven**, University of Windsor (CA): The Reception of Sartre’s Plays: *The Respectful Prostitute* and *Dirty Hands* during the Cold War Period
- 6:30 p.m. Reception

Saturday, September 29th

Session 5 (Chair: Patrick Baert)

- 9:00 a.m. **Francesco Caddeo** (FR): L’Impact de l’existentialisme (sartrien) dans la philosophie italienne
- 9:40 a.m. **Maria Russo**, San Raffaele University (IT): Existentialism and Cinema: the Dialectic of Bad Faith and Authenticity in Federico Fellini’s *8½*
- 10:20 a.m. **Raoul Kirchmayr**, University of Trieste (IT): Towards an Ethics of the Singularity. Sartre’s Lectures at the Gramsci’s Institute (1961-64) and their Consequences
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break

Session 6 (Chair: Damon Boria)

- 11:20 a.m. **Hamid Andishan**, University of Ottawa (CA): Middle Eastern Existentialism
- 12:00 p.m. **Yoav Di-Capua**, University of Texas (US): Arab Existentialism: Its Scope, Function and Fate
- 12:40 p.m. Lunch Break

Session 7 (Chair: Yoav Di-Capua)

- 1:40 p.m. **Julia Elsky**, Loyola University Chicago (US): Language and Existentialism: Reception of the Absurd at *Yale French Studies* (1940s-1950s)
- 2:20 p.m. **Damon Boria**, Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University, Louisiana (US): Literary Existentialism in the United States: The Cases of Percy and Vonnegut
- 3:00 p.m. **Cameron Bassiri and Matthew Senie**, American University, Washington (US): Existential Psychoanalysis in America
- 3:40 p.m. Coffee Break

Session 8 (Chair: Ronald Aronson, tbc)

- 4:00 p.m. **Patrick Baert**, University of Cambridge (UK): The Reception of Existentialism in Sociology
- 4:40 p.m. **Robert Bernasconi**, Pennsylvania State University (US): Existentialism against Colonialism: Frantz Fanon’s Dialectic of Freedom
- 5:20 p.m. **Annie Cohen-Solal** (FR): The Becoming-World of Philosophy. Sartre’s Unprecedented Reception in Brazil, Summer 1960
- 6:30 p.m. Round Table Discussion
- 7:30 p.m. Conference Dinner

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