

Conference/PhD course:

"Philosophical issues in psychiatry: Natural kinds, mental taxonomy and the nature of reality"

Program:

Thursday, May 25

Location: Lecture Hall H06, University of Copenhagen, Main Building, Frue Plads, Copenhagen K

- 09.00-09.40 **Josef Parnas** (CFS, University of Copenhagen) and **Kenneth Kendler** (Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, USA): **Welcome and Introduction. Theoretical and pragmatic challenges of today's psychiatry**
- 09.40-11.00 **James F. Woodward** (California Institute of Technology, USA): **Mental Causation and neural Mechanisms**
- 11.00-11.20 *Coffee break*
- 11.20-12.30 **Shaun Gallagher** (University of Central Florida, USA): **A proposal for mental causation**
- 12.30-13.50 *Lunch Break*
- 13.50-15.10 **Peter Zachar** (Auburn University, Montgomery, USA): **Psychiatric disorders can be 'real kinds' but psychiatry cannot discover a true taxonomy of mental disorders: An analogy from biological systematics**
- 15.10-15.40 *Coffee break*
- 15.40-17.00 **Kenneth Schaffner** (George Washington University, USA): **Etiological Models in Psychiatry: Reductive and Non-reductive Approaches**

Friday, May 26

Location: Alexander Hall, Bispetorvet 1-3, Copenhagen K

- 09.00-10.15 **John Campbell** (University of California, Berkeley, USA): **TBA**
- 10.15-10.30 *Coffee break*
- 10.30-11.50 **Sandra D. Mitchell** (University of Pittsburgh, USA): **Explanatory pluralism: explaining complex behaviour**
- 11.50-13.00 *Lunch break*
- 13.00-14.15 **Dominic Murphy** (California Institute of Technology, USA):

Levels of explanation in psychiatry

- 14.15-14.30 *Coffee break*
- 14.30-15.45 **Jean Petitot** (School for Advanced Studies in Social Sciences (EHESS) and Ecole Polytechnique CREA, France): **Visual hallucinations: Entoptic physicalist emergentism**
- 15.45-17.00 **TBA**
- 17.00-17.30 **Kenneth Kendler: Closing comments**

Each lecture includes an invited response and general discussion.

The conference is organized and sponsored jointly by the Danish National Research Foundation: Center for Subjectivity Research, University of Copenhagen (CFS); Department of Psychiatry, H:S Hvidovre Hospital (HH), and The Graduate School of Neuroscience, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Copenhagen. Conference organizers: Prof. Dr. Josef Parnas, MD (CFS) and Prof. Dr. Kenneth S. Kendler, MD (Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, USA).

Participation is free, but prior registration is required: Please contact Pia Kirkemann Hansen at pkh@cfs.ku.dk