

## A Symposium

# HUMAN BEING, SOCIETY, CULTURE: CRITICAL MULTIDISCIPLINARY REFLECTIONS ON ESSENCES AND RESEARCH PARADIGMS

April 21 – 22, 2016 /

Graduate School Human Development in Landscapes /  
Leibnizstraße 3 / Room 123  
Kiel University / Germany

### Day 1 / Thursday 21 April 2016

Introduction / 9:30 – 10:00

Talk 1 / 10:00 - 11:00 / V. P. J. Arponen (Kiel University)  
*Scales of Explanation and Understanding: the Case of Epistemologizing Human Action and Sociality*

Talk 2 / 11:00 - 12:00 / Stephen P. Turner (University of Florida, USA)  
*The Normative Conception of Society*

Lunch / 12:00 - 14:00

Talk 3 / 14:00 - 15:00 / Oskari Kuusela (University of East Anglia, UK)  
*Wittgenstein and the Foundations of Humanistic Disciplines*

Talk 4 / 15:00 - 16:00 / Mark Risjord (Emory College, USA)  
*The Ontology of Cultural Beliefs*

Coffee / 16:00 - 16:30

Talk 5 / 16:30 - 17:30 / Neil Maycroft (University of Lincoln, UK)  
*The Role of Consumerism in Consumption: Reflections on a Splintered Paradigm*

Talk 6 / 17:30 - 18:30 / Yogi H. Hendlin (University of California, USA)  
*Play and Resetting Stress Thresholds: the Role of a Healthy Calibrated Central Nervous System in Human and Animal Evolution*

### Day 2 / Friday 22 April 2016

Talk 1 / 10:00 - 11:00 / Konrad Ott (Kiel University)  
*Discourse Theory and the Human Being as an Ethical or Moral Being*

Talk 2 / 11:00 - 12:00 / Lieske Voegt-Kleschin (Kiel University)  
*The Capability Approach and Human Well-being*

Lunch / 12:00 - 14:00

Talk 3 / 14:00 - 15:00 / John J. McGraw (California State University, USA)  
*The Action Orientation: An Emerging Paradigm?*

Talk 4 / 15:00 - 16:00 / Roberto Risch (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain)  
*Historical Materialism in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: An Archaeological Perspective*

Coffee / 16:00 - 16:30

Talk 5 / 16:30 - 17:30 / Artur Ribeiro (Kiel University)  
*The Objective Mind: Towards a Narrative Understanding of Past Societies*

Talk 6 / 17:30 - 18:30 / Martin Hinz (Kiel University)  
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