

Amsterdam Kant Conference 2024: Kantian Philosophy Today

13 and 14 June 2024, University of Amsterdam

Call for abstracts.

Confirmed speakers:

Pauline Kleingeld (Rijksuniversiteit Groningen)
Andrea Marlen Esser (Friedrich Schiller Universität Jena)
Sorin Baiasu (University of Keele)
Helga Varden (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)
Huaping Lu-Adler (Georgetown University)
Andrew Stephenson (University of Southampton)

The University of Amsterdam will commemorate the 300th birth year of Immanuel Kant by organizing a conference dedicated to the question: what is the state of Kantian philosophy today? Over the last three centuries, Kant's thought has proven to be a leading approach in various philosophical disciplines, from logic and epistemology to ethics and political philosophy. But what crucial questions in Kantian scholarship require special attention today?

The conference will explore this question through two keynote lectures (by professors Pauline Kleingeld and Andrea Esser) and four thematic panels organized around leading scholars in these fields. The panels will each open with a 30-minute introductory lecture by the main speaker, a 15-minute Q&A, three subsequent 15-minute presentations, and a final 30-minute Q&A.

We are looking for (junior) researchers who want to give such a 15-minute presentation on work done within one of the following domains within Kantian scholarship:

Theme 1: The Relationship Between Kant's Ethics and Politics (Sorin Baiasu)

How do the domains of ethics and politics, as well as their highest principles, relate to or affect one another?

Theme 2: Sex, Race, Love, and Gender - Kantian Ways Forward (Helga Varden)

In what ways do the categories of sex, race, love, and gender shape Kantian thought, or how could Kantian philosophy meaningfully reflect on these categories?

Theme 3: Public Reason in Today's World (Huaping Lu-Adler)

How does the ideal of public reason manifest itself in today's non-ideal society?

Theme 4: Kant's Account of the Human Mind (Andrew Stephenson)

What is Kant's account of the human mind, and how does it relate to pressing questions in metaphysics, epistemology, and the philosophy of mind?

We welcome **abstracts (400 words maximum)** outlining a question and argument on any topic *broadly related to* the themes above. Please include your name & affiliation in the body of the e-mail, with no personal details in the enclosed abstract (PDF). Upon acceptance, we request a short research paper (2500 words minimum) to be submitted before May 24, 2024.

The abstract can be submitted to t.m.smits@uva.nl

The deadline for submissions is **January 31, 2024**.

The result will be communicated by February 21, 2024.

Organizing committee:

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Please send any questions to t.m.smits@uva.nl.