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Self-determination and Metaphysics
April 17-19, 2015
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All sessions will be held in Room 115 Peabody Hall

Thursday, April 16

7:00–9:30 PM “Process Philosophy, Self Determination, and Ideology” Panel of the Society for the Study of Process Philosophies (all MSA members are welcome)

Moderator: George R. Lucas, Jr. (Reilly Center, University of Notre Dame)
Speakers: Derek Malone-France (George Washington University) and George Allan (Dickinson College, emeritus)
Respondent: Hollis Phelps (University of Mount Olive)

Friday, April 17

3:30 PM Welcome by Pamela Whitten, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs (University of Georgia)

3:40-4:55 PM Session I
Moderator: Donald Phillip Verene (Emory University)
Commentator: Jonathan Sanford (Franciscan University)

5:05–6:20 PM Session II
Moderator: Francis P. Coolidge, Jr. (Loyola University New Orleans)
Speaker: Jude Dougherty (Catholic University), “Maimonides on Free Will”  
Commentator: Phillip Stambovsky (Fairfield University)

6:30–7:45 PM Session III  
Moderator: Brian Henning (Gonzaga University)  
Speaker: Andrew German (Ben Gurion University, Be'er Sheva Israel), “Speculari Aude: Self-Consciousness and Post-Kantian Metaphysics in Dieter Henrich”  
Commentator: Michelle Mahoney (Memorial University of Newfoundland)

8-10:00 PM Dinner Reception  

Saturday, April 18

8:45–10:00 AM Session IV  
Moderator: Laura Landen (Providence College)  
Speaker: Kris Klotz (Pennsylvania State University), “Autonomy and Abstraction”  
Commentator: Anne M. Wiles (James Madison University)

10:00-10:15 AM Coffee Break

10:15-11:30 AM Session V  
Moderator: Carl Rapp (University of Georgia)  
Speaker: Lawrence Cahoone (College of the Holy Cross), “Self-, Social-, or Neural-Determination?”  
Commentator: C. Wesley DeMarco (Clark University)

11:35–12:50 AM Session VI  
Moderator: Nastassja Saramago de ar Pugliese (University of Georgia)  
Commentator: Heidi Ravven (Hamilton College)

12:50-2:05 PM Lunch Break

2:05–3:20 PM Session VII  
Moderator: Oliva Blanchette (Boston College)  
Speaker: Melvin Woody (Connecticut College), “Freedom and Trauma”  
Commentator: Eric Helleloid (Augsburg College)

3:25–4:40 PM Session VIII  
Moderator: Dilek Huseyinzadegan (Emory University)  
Speaker: Sean McGrath (Memorial University of Newfoundland), “The Logic of Schelling’s Freedom Essay”  
Commentator: Richard Velkley (Tulane University)

4:40-5:00 PM Coffee Break
5:00–6:30 PM Presidential Address: “Self-determination in Logic and Reality”
Introduction: President-Elect George R. Lucas Jr. (Reilly Center, University of Notre Dame)
Speaker: Richard Dien Winfield (University of Georgia)

6:35-7:45 PM Business Meeting

8:00-10:00 PM Banquet at Cine (234 West Hancock Avenue) catered by The National

Sunday, April 19

9:00–10:15 AM Session IX
Moderator: Rene Jagnow (University of Georgia)
Speaker: Daniel Stambovksy (USAF), “Self-Determination of the Emergent: Formal Essence, Reinvention, and Downward Causation”
Commentator: Joseph Paul Carter (University of Georgia)

10:25–11:40 AM Session X
Moderator: Thomas R. Flynn (Emory University)
Speaker: Edward Halper (University of Georgia), “Self-determination as a First Principle”
Commentator: William Maker (Clemson University)

11:50–1:05 PM Session XI Aristotle Prize Winner
Moderator: Bradley Alan Patty (University of Georgia)
Speaker: Gregory Moss (Clemson University), “The Concept as Self-Determination: Hegel on the Conceivability of Self-Determination”
Commentator: Kenneth Lambert (Washington and Lee University)