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SOCIAL CONSTRUCTIVISM AS PARADIGM?

International Symposium in Honor of 50 years
"The Social Construction of Reality"
28–30 April 2016 University of Vienna



PROGRAM



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Welcome to:
**International Symposium in Honor of 50 years
“The Social Construction of Reality”**

Dear Colleagues,

The year 2016 marks an important anniversary for sociology as 50 years have passed since Peter L. Berger and Thomas Luckmann published their work:

“The Social Construction of Reality”.

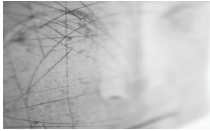
This book influenced not only the sociology of knowledge but sociological theory formation in general. Furthermore, it had an impact on the discourse in other disciplines: Social constructivism has become the label of a widespread way of thinking in the very diverse settings within the social sciences, the humanities as well as in manifold trans-disciplinary studies.

Therefore, we are delighted to welcome you at the University of Vienna.

Over the course of the next three days we are looking forward to interesting presentations and fruitful discussions.

Sincerely yours,

Michaela Pfadenhauer and Hubert Knoblauch



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Overview

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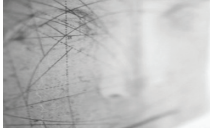
10:00 - 11:30	Registration & Get-together
11:30 - 13:15	Welcome & Presentations
13:15 - 14:15	Lunch Break
14:15 - 16:30	Presentation & Panel
from 16:30	Coffee Break
18:00	Peter L. Berger at Wien Museum

DAY 2: 29 April 2016

09:00 - 10:45	Welcome & Presentations
10:45 - 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:45	Presentations
12:45 - 13:45	Lunch Break
13:45 - 15:15	Presentations (Streams)
15:15 - 15:45	Coffee Break
15:45 - 17:15	Presentations
17:15 - 17:30	Break
17:30 - 19:00	Presentations
19:30	Conference Dinner

DAY 3: 30 April 2016

09:00 - 10:00	Welcome & Presentation
10:00 - 10:15	Break
10:15 - 12:30	Presentations (Streams)
12:30 - 13:15	Lunch Break
13:15 - 14:45	Presentations
15:00	End of Conference



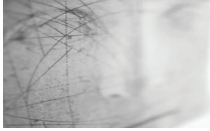
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- 10:00 - 11:30 **Registration & Get-together**
- 11:30 - 12:30 *Welcome*
- Michaela Pfadenhauer**
(University of Vienna, Austria)
- Peter L. Berger**
Author of
"The Social Construction of Reality"
- Ulrike Felt**
(Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences,
University of Vienna, Austria)
- Jörg Flecker**
(Head of Department of
Sociology, University of Vienna, Austria)
- Shalini Randeria**
(Institute of Human Sciences,
Vienna, Austria)
- Reiner Keller**
(Coordinator of the Research
Network Sociology of Knowledge in the
German Sociological Association)
- 12:30 - 13:15 **Manfred Prisching**
(University of Graz, Austria)
Why are Berger and Luckmann
Austrians?
- 13:15 - 14:15 *Lunch Break*

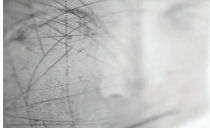


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- 14:15 - 15:00 **Martin Endreß**
(University of Trier, Germany)
"The Social Construction of Reality"
and its Theoretical Claims
- 15:00 - 16:30 *Panel: International Reception*
- Bernt Schnettler**
(University of Bayreuth, Germany)
Habent sua fata libelli or
The Success of Inattentive Reading.
Impacts of "The Social Construction of
Reality" as Masterpiece in Transatlantic
Academic Cooperation
- Silke Steets**
(Technical University Darmstadt,
Germany)
Playing Chamber Music at a Rock
Festival? –
"The Social Construction of Reality"
in U.S. Sociology
- César A. Cisneros-Puebla**
(UAM Iztapalapa, México)
Spanish Reception of
"The Social Construction of Reality"
- from 16:30 *Coffee Break*
- 18:00 **Peter L. Berger**
Patočka Memorial Lecture
at Wien Museum



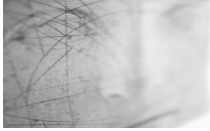
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09:00	Welcome
09:15 - 10:00	Thomas Eberle (University of St. Gallen, Switzerland) Variations of Constructivism – a Fresh Look
10:00 - 10:45	Harry Collins (Cardiff University, UK) Social Constructivism in the Sociology of Scientific Knowledge
10:45 - 11:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:15 - 12:00	Trevor Pinch (Cornell University, NY, USA) Social Construction of Technology: Where it Came from and Where it Might be Going
12:00 - 12:45	Ulrike Felt (University of Vienna, Austria) Analyzing the Social and the Techno- scientific in the same Move: Austria's Anti-Nuclear Movement as a Case Study
12:45 - 13:45	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13:45 - 14:30	Jochen Dreher (University of Constance, Germany) Oblivion of Power? Social Constructivism and the (Counter-)Critique of Pierre Bourdieu
14:30 - 15:15	Gregor Bongaerts (University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany) Habitualization and Habitus – On the Relation between Social Constructivism and the Theory of Practice



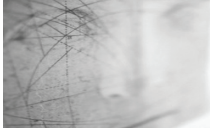
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| 15:15 - 15:45 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |
| 15:45 - 16:30 | Matthias Grundmann
(University of Münster, Germany)
Social Construction of Reality and
Socialisation Research. Decoding the
Primary Process of Internalization and
Externalization in Time and Space |
| 16:30 - 17:15 | Kersten Reich
(University of Cologne, Germany)
From Pragmatism to
Interactive Constructivism |
| 17:15 - 17:30 | <i>Break</i> |
| 17:30 - 18:15 | Kenneth J. Gergen
(Swarthmore College, PA, USA)
Relational Being: A Poststructuralist
Reconstruction of the Social |
| 18:15 - 19:00 | John W. Meyer
(Stanford University, CA, USA)
The Construction of the
Knowledge Society |
| 19:30 | <i>Conference Dinner</i> |



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09:15 - 10:00

Reiner Keller

(University of Augsburg, Germany)
The Discursive Construction of Reality

10:00 - 10:15

Break

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10:15 - 11:00

Achim Brosziewski

(PHTG, Thurgau University of Teacher
Education, Switzerland)
Knowledge as a Form of the Life Course
– The Individualistic Constructivism of
Social Systems Theory

Andreas Hepp

(University of Bremen, Germany)
The Mediated Construction of Reality

11:00 - 11:45

Jens Loenhoff

(University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany)
Objectification and Verbalization.
Social Constructivism and
the Problem of Language

Gabriela Christmann

(Leibniz Institute for Research on
Society and Space, Germany)
New Developments:
Socio-spatial Perspective

11:45 - 12:30

Michaela Pfadenhauer

(University of Vienna, Austria)
Cultural Aspects of Social Constructions.
On the Meaning of "Doings" and
the Meaning of "Dones"

Jo Reichertz

(University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany)
From Understanding to Impact:
Communicative Power

12:30 - 13:15

Lunch Break

13:15 - 14:00

Joachim Renn

(University of Münster, Germany)
The Social Evolution of Sociological
Constructivism:
How Sociology of Knowledge Emerges
from and Refers to the World

14:00 - 14:45

Hubert Knoblauch

(Technical University
of Berlin, Germany)
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15:00

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