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Cologne-Leuven Summer School in Phenomenology:

Subjectivity - in Husserl's Phenomenology

18 - 22 July 2011

This summer school is dedicated to the topic of subjectivity in Husserl's Phenomenology.

Subjectivity is the starting point of phenomenology. We will first discuss the phenomenological concept of consciousness in the 5th. Logical Investigation: as inner perception, as intentional act and as stream of consciousness. Consciousness is not only directed to an object but also consciousness of the ego, in the Ideas I considered as pure ego and pole-ego, interpreted in Ideas II up to the Cartesian Meditations as an ego of habitualities. In genetic phenomenology this picture of an ego that feels, forms and reforms itself, that gains his unique character in his own decisions is worked out further. The constitution of other subjects is discussed and extended into the dimension of personal and collective intentionality as well as in the ethical dimension. The end of the course will lead to Husserl's late reflections on the core of personality and the framing of each human person in a life-world that changes historically entailing the individual and collective striving for valuable aims of cognition and action.

These themes will be presented in lectures together with a discussion, each day during the time 10-13.00. In the afternoon in the time 15-17.00 there will be a textual analysis that should go into some details and in this way help to enhance the understanding.

The lecturers are: Andrea Altobrando (Parma), Jagna Brudzinska (Cologne / Warsaw), Marco Deodati (Rom/Cologne), Dirk Fonfara (Cologne), Dieter Lohmar (Cologne), Henning Peucker (Paderborn), Alice Pugliese (Palermo), Inga Römer (Wuppertal) and Nicola Zippel (Rom).

We are planning for a level that should help to inform intensively on the essential topics of subjectivity in the framework of Husserlian phenomenology on a medium level but we are also open for discussions of methodical questions on the level of doctoral students and postdocs. This course will be also handled as a "Hauptseminar" for the students of the Cologne University. To get a qualified certificate for this Hauptseminar a written paper on a topic to be determined is expected. The courses will be held in English language (German is allowed but not required for the discussion of the texts).

This international summer school is open for students from all countries. There will be no fee to pay, but because we have no financial support to offer for participants we strongly encourage you to apply for short-term grants at your university or other institutions.

Time: Monday-Friday 18-22. July 2011, each day 10-13.00 and 15-17.00

Location: University of Cologne, Main Building. Room 4.016

Written registration is required before 30th of June 2011.

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