

CONFERENCE
Which Smartness? Whose Intelligence?
Critical Perspectives on Digital Technology and Political Subjects
Centre of Philosophy, University of Lisbon
Event organized as part of the activities of Praxis-CFUL
13-14 May 2024

PROGRAMME

DAY 1, MONDAY, MAY 13

9.00 – 9.40	Registration
9.40 – 9.50	Welcome: Opening Remarks
9.50 – 11.10	Keynote Lecture Orit Halpern (TU Dresden) <i>Financializing Intelligence: Artificial Intelligence, Neo-liberalism, and Reactionary Politics</i>
11.10 – 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30 – 13.00	<p>Parallel Session 1: Room B112.C: Technology, Ontology, Anthropology. Moderator: Dirk Michael Hennrich (University of Lisbon)</p> <p>1. Agostino Cera (University of Ferrara) <i>From Techno-Politics to Techno-Ontology: A Phenomenology of Dataism</i></p> <p>2. Juho Rantala (Tampere University) <i>“Anthropo-/sociomorphism” as a Foundational Process for the Relation Between Human and Technology</i></p> <p>3. Andrea Zoppis (University of Ferrara) <i>Images as Third Reality and the Practices of Sentiment: Simondon, Dufrenne and the Techno-aesthetical Individuation</i></p> <hr/> <p>Parallel Session 2: Room B112.B: Digital Subjects Between Politics and Technology Moderator: Mariana Teixeira (University of Lisbon)</p> <p>1. Benedetta Milani (Leuphana University of Lüneburg) <i>Network and Immersion: Reconsidering the Digital Subject through Cassirer’s Concept of Symbolic Form</i></p> <p>2. Anthony Longo (University of Antwerp) <i>TikTok Gave Me ADHD: On User-Algorithm Relations in Platformed Diagnosis</i></p> <p>3. Jordi Viader Guerrero (TU Delft) <i>Beyond Epistemic User Engagement: The Limits of Technological Mediation and Media Literacy</i></p>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.30	<p>Parallel Session 3: Room B112.C: Body and Technology. Moderator: Maura Ceci (University of Lisbon)</p>

	<p>1. Dani Shanley (Maastricht University), Darian Meacham (Maastricht University), Stephen Hughes (University College London) <i>The Nightmares and Dreamscapes of Digital Touch</i></p> <p>2. Bruno Hinrichsen (University of Coimbra) <i>Approaching a Smart-experienced Body through Staccato Gestures: A Contribution based on Vilém Flusser's Late Work</i></p> <p>3. Arianna Petrosino (University of Naples – Federico II) <i>Health, Performance, or Surveillance? Quantified Bodies under Digital Capitalism</i></p>
	<p>Parallel Session 4: Room B112.B: Technology and Culture. Moderator: Francesca Scapinello (University of Lisbon)</p> <p>1. Ângelo Milhano (University of Évora) <i>Where is my Office? Smart Technologies and the Transformation of the Subjective Experience of Work</i></p> <p>2. Ricardo Mendoza-Canales (University of Lisbon) <i>The Bubble: The Dark Side of Cultural Memory</i></p> <p>3. Tiago Mesquita Carvalho (University of Porto) <i>The Guarding of the Eye: Towards an Askesis for the Digital Age</i></p>
15.30 – 15.50	Coffee Break
15.50 – 17.20	<p>Parallel Session 5: Room B112.C: Smartification and Subjectivation. Moderator: João Amoretti (University of Lisbon)</p> <p>1. Francisco Nunes (NOVA University Lisbon) <i>Escaping Smartness: Temporality and Subjectivity in the Age of Planetary Digital Integration</i></p> <p>2. Simone Bernardi della Rosa (University of Molise) <i>Exploring Digital Habits: Predictive Algorithms and the Co-Constitution of Human Subjectivities in Smart Environments</i></p> <p>3. Antonio Oraldi (University of Lisbon) <i>Smartification and Political Subjects: Optimization, Adaptation, Gamification</i></p>
	<p>Parallel Session 6: Room B112.B: Political Agency and Technological Systems. Moderator: Zach Tailor (University of Lisbon)</p> <p>1. Jaanika Puusalu (Estonian Academy of Security Sciences), Tanel Mällo (Cybernetica AS) <i>Constructing the Political Agent in Digital Society: an Estonian Vision</i></p> <p>2. Paulo Melo (NOVA University Lisbon), Ana Viseu (NOVA University Lisbon) <i>Hyper Surveillance of Public Space: The Case of Bairro Alto</i></p> <p>3. Dmitry Muravyov (TU Delft) <i>Failure, not an Error: a Call for the Public Engagement with Algorithmic Mistakes</i></p>
17.20 – 17.40	Coffee Break
17.40 – 19.00	<p>Keynote Lecture Andrew Feenberg (Simon Fraser University) <i>The Limits of Automation</i></p>
19.30	Conference Dinner (Official)

DAY 2, TUESDAY, MAY 14

9.50 – 11.10	<p style="text-align: center;">Keynote Lecture Gavin Mueller (University of Amsterdam) <i>Marxism, Luddism, and the Future of Work</i></p>
11.10 – 11.30	<p style="text-align: center;">Coffee Break</p>
11.30 – 13.00	<p>Parallel Session 7: Room B112.C: Politics of AI Moderator: Silvia Locatelli (University of Lisbon)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Luca Possati (University of Twente) <i>Why We Need a New Political Technology Assessment: Exploring the Limits of Responsible Innovation and Technology Assessment</i> 2. Yaqub Chaudhary (University of Cambridge), Jonnie Penn (University of Cambridge) <i>Large Language Models as Instruments of Power and Control</i> 3. Aarón Moreno Inglés (TU Delft) <i>Artificial Intelligence for Emancipatory Projects: Potentialities and Pitfalls</i>
	<p>Parallel Session 8: Room B112.B: Digital Capitalism and the Platform Economy. Moderator: Moirika Reker (University of Lisbon)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shaked Spier (University of Twente) <i>The Politics of Platform Technologies: A Critical Conceptualization of the Platform and Sharing Economy</i> 3. Deniz Karahan-Alp (University of Otago) <i>Rejuvenating Eros in Social Media: Herbert Marcuse and the Possibility of Non-repressive Connectivity</i> 3. Matteo Camerini (Université Paris Cité), Ruben Maria Eeckels (Ca' Foscari University of Venice), Davide Liggi (University of Bologna), Massimiliano Muci (York University) <i>If 'the Medium is the Message', then What Kind of Message are Social Media?</i>
13.00 – 14.00	<p style="text-align: center;">Lunch</p>
14.00 – 15.30	<p>Parallel Session 9: Room B112.C: Smartification, Urbanization, Financialization. Moderator: Francisco Nunes (NOVA University Lisbon)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Andrea Pavoni (ISCTE University Institute of Lisbon) & Andrea Mubi Brighenti (University of Trento) <i>Urban Atmoculture and the Problem of Automation</i> 2. Erik Bordeleau (NOVA University Lisbon) <i>The Cosmo-Financial Pharmakon and The Making of Neganthropocenic Localities</i> 3. Laura Lotti (Other Internet Research Institute, New York) <i>I Am Stonks: Dumb Money, Smart Contracts and The Accidental Politics of Networked Finance</i>
	<p>Parallel Session 10: Room B112.B: Perspectives on Automation. Moderator: Diogo Sardinha (University of Lisbon)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Davide Vecchi (University of Lisbon) <i>The Age of Leisure: Utopia or Dystopia?</i> 2. Jaana Parviainen (Tampere University) & Paula Alanen (Tampere University) <i>The Silent Revolution of Automated Decision-making in Administration. Building and Eroding Trust between Government and Vulnerable Citizens</i> 3. Sebastian Nähr-Wagener (FU Hagen) <i>Smart Home Technology and the Production of Subjectivity</i>

	<i>Davide Vecchi (University of Lisbon) The Age of Leisure: Utopia or Dystopia?</i>
15.30 – 15.50	Coffee Break
15.50 – 17.20	<p>Parallel Session 11: Room B112.C: Capital & Technology. Moderator: Alžběta Dyčková (University of Lisbon)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Eric-John Russell (University of Postdam) <i>When What is Known No Longer Has Any Meaning: Toward a Critical Theory of Opinion</i> Mennatullah Hendawy (Ain Shams University) <i>The Positionality of Technology: Intersectionality of Education and Class in Silicon Valley</i> Tamara Caraus (University of Lisbon) <i>Contesting Technology, or How Luddism meets Critical Theory</i> <p>Parallel Session 12: Room B112.B: Human and Machinic intelligences. Moderator: Ricardo Mendoza-Canales (University of Lisbon)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Jan H. Wasserzieher (London School of Economics) <i>What's Wrong with Machine Intelligence?</i> Sofie Lekve (University of Oslo) <i>The Circular Fallacy of Human and Artificial Intelligence</i> Yonathan Listik (Leiden University) <i>Can Stupidity Resist the Obligation to be Smart?</i>
17.20 – 17.40	Coffee Break
17.40 – 19.00	Keynote Lecture Yuk Hui (Erasmus University Rotterdam)
19.00	Final remarks and Conference Dinner (Optional)

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