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the Embodied Self
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Marie Curie Research Training Network
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INVITATION

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to Heidelberg and the International Conference 'DISCOS: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Disorders and Coherence of the Embodied Self'. During the last decade, philosophical, psychological and neurobiological approaches to the self have increasingly overcome their disciplinary constraints and entered into a productive dialogue. Different levels of self-awareness such as the 'core' or 'minimal self' and the 'extended' or 'narrative self' have been distinguished and investigated from a phenomenological, developmental and neuro-cognitive perspective. In this context, disorders of self-experience have also attracted growing attention. The concept of embodiment may serve as a crucial junction for integrating these different approaches into a common framework. This idea has inspired the European Marie-Curie Research Training Network "Disorders and Coherence of the Embodied Self" (DISCOS), a consortium of 10 European research facilities which organizes this conference.

The conference is aimed at creating an interdisciplinary forum for the exchange of ideas on the themes of embodiment, self-awareness and its disorders. Special emphasis will be placed on

- the interplay of biological and social factors for establishing self-coherence
- the relevance of intersubjectivity and intercorporeality for the development of the self
- neuropsychiatric disorders of the embodied self, their nature and origins
- therapeutic and ethical consequences.

A number of distinguished speakers have been invited for the conference. There will be a schedule of plenary sessions and poster sessions.

We look forward to meeting you in the charming city of Heidelberg and its beautiful surroundings.



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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstracts for the conference may be submitted either as poster presentation. You are kindly invited to submit an abstract on the relevant topic that you wish to present, preferably, but not necessarily connected to the main topics of the conference stated on page 6-7.

Abstracts must be submitted in English. They should not contain more than 250 words. Please, include the name(s) of the author(s), institution, city and country. Note that authors presenting abstracts must be registered participants. Abstracts should be sent preferably as attachment by e-mail to discos2008@med.uni-heidelberg.de or else by letter to the Scientific Secretariat.

Abstracts are subject to approval by the Scientific Committee and to final assignment for inclusion in the program as an oral or poster presentation. Authors will be notified by e-mail, therefore it is essential to state your correct e-mail address. Instructions concerning the presentation will be included.

DEADLINE OF SUBMISSION: 30.09.2008

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE I

THURSDAY

13:00 Opening

PHILOSOPHY

WHAT MAKES UP A SELF? SELF COHERENCE AND ITS ORIGINS

14:00 Dan Zahavi: Minimal self and narrative self:
A distinction in need of refinement

14:40 Thomas Metzinger: Out of the body and into the mind

15:20 Dan Hutto: Composing ourselves:
Embodied engagements and narrative extension

16:00 Break

16:30 *Alternative Perspective Talk:*
Yves Rossetti: Origins of the self and the body:
How do they communicate after brain lesion?

17:10 *Structured discussion*

19:00 Poster session 1

FRIDAY MORNING

NEUROSCIENCE

BRAIN, CONSCIOUSNESS AND SELF

09:00 Steven Laureys: Is there anybody in there?
Brain function in disorders of consciousness

9:40 Vittorio Gallese: Embodied simulation and its role in intersubjectivity

10:20 Kai Vogeley: Self-consciousness and social cognition

11:00 Break

11:30 *Alternative Perspective Talk*
Evan Thompson Embodied Self-Awareness
and the "Resting State": A neurophenomenological approach

12:15 *Structured discussion*

13:00 Node Leader Meeting

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE II

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

IS THERE A SELF WITHOUT SELVES?

DEVELOPMENT OF SELF AND INTERSUBJECTIVITY

14:00 Philippe Rochat: Me and Mine in early development

14:40 Paul Harris: Trusting the self and trusting the other

15:20 György Gergely: Attachment, mentalisation, and intersubjectivity:
The development of the representational affective self.

16:00 Break

16:30 *Alternative Perspective Talk:*
Thomas Fuchs: Non-representational intersubjectivity

17:10 *Structured Discussion*

18:30 Poster session 2

20:30 Social event

SATURDAY

PSYCHIATRY/PSYCHOSOMATIC MEDICINE

HOW TO TREAT A SELF. SELF DISORDERS AND THEIR THERAPY

09:00 Josef Parnas: The structure of the self as seen
through the prism of psychopathology of schizophrenia

09:40 Peter Fonagy: Treatment outcome of
mentalization-based interventions for self-pathology

10:20 Gerd Rudolf: The impact of structural functioning
for the embodied self

11:00 Break

11:30 *Integrative Perspective Talk:*
Peter Henningsen: Disordered self on many levels -
any chance for therapeutic integration?

12:15 *Structured discussion*

13:30 Closing of the conference

CONGRESS INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Please use the enclosed registration form for your conference registration or register online via Internet at www.discos2008.unitt.de
Registrations which come in after 09.11.2008 will be processed at the conference counter on site.

REGISTRATION FEES

13. - 15.11.2008

REGISTRATION AND

PAYMENT RECEIVED	UNTIL 30.09.08	FROM 01.10.08
POST GRADUATES:	100.00 €	120.00 €
UNDERGRADUATES:	FREE OF CHARGE	FREE OF CHARGE

14.11. RESP. 15.11. 2008 ONLY **SOCIAL EVENT 14.11.08**

	UNTIL 30.09.08	FROM 01.10.08	
POST GRADUATES:	50.00 €	60.00 €	40.00 €
UNDERGRADUATES:	FREE OF CHARGE	FREE OF CHARGE	30.00 €

PAYMENT CONFIRMATION

We recommend paying the registration fee by credit card. We accept VISA-Card or MASTERCARD/EUROCARD. In case you would like to make a bank transfer, kindly use the following details:

Account Holder: University of Heidelberg
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Account No: 7421 500 436
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Please, enter name of participant only and DISCOS 2008

REGISTRATION FEES FOR THE PARTICIPANTS INCLUDE:

- Admission to all scientific sessions
- Admission to poster sessions
- Conference materials
- Coffee breaks
- Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception on Thursday, 13 November 2008

Not included: Social event on Friday, 14 November (additional fee 40,00 €, undergraduates reduced fee: 30,00 €)

CONGRESS INFORMATION

CONFIRMATION

Upon receipt of the full registration fee, each participant will receive a confirmation of registration and payment. Please present this confirmation at the conference counter as proof of your pre-registration.

CANCELLATION OF PARTICIPATION

Delegates unable to attend the conference after submitting a registration form are most welcome to nominate a substitute. If you must cancel your registration your written request must be received by 09.11, 2008, to receive a refund less 25 % administrative charge. Refunds will be made as a rule after the conference. After 10.11.2008 no refund can be made for cancellations. Please address your cancellation in writing only to the congress office.

BANQUETT AT PRINZ CARL PALAIS, FRIDAY, 14 NOVEMBER, 20:30 H

A banquet will be organized for all participants and their accompanying persons at Prinz Carl Palais. Local food, beverages and entertainment will be provided. Price per person: 40,00 € (for undergraduates reduced 30,00 €)

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Hotel rooms of various categories are preliminarily blocked for the participants. For bindingly booking please look at Registration / booking form at the mentioned website or address your requirements to the Registration office.

CANCELLATION OF ACCOMMODATION

If you cancel the booking late (bindingly after 01 September 2008) or No-Show and the room cannot be rented otherwise, the full costs / the cancellation fee of the selected hotel will be charged. Please address your cancellation in writing only to the Registration office.

GENERAL AND PRACTICAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the conference is English.

REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DURING THE CONFERENCE

Thursday, Nov 13: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday, Nov 14: 8.15 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday, Nov 15: 8.30 a.m. - Noon

POSTER SESSIONS

Posters should be 0.90 m wide and 1.20 m high. The title and authors should appear in bold lettering. The text and illustrations should be readable from a distance of 2 m. There will be two Poster Sessions on Thursday, Nov 13, 19:00 and Friday, Nov 14, 18:30, in which posters will be formally discussed. At least one of the authors should be present at the poster for the duration of the poster session on the designated day.

COFFEE BREAKS

Coffee and refreshment will be provided (free of charge for registered participants) in the adjacent rooms of the conference hall during the official coffee breaks.

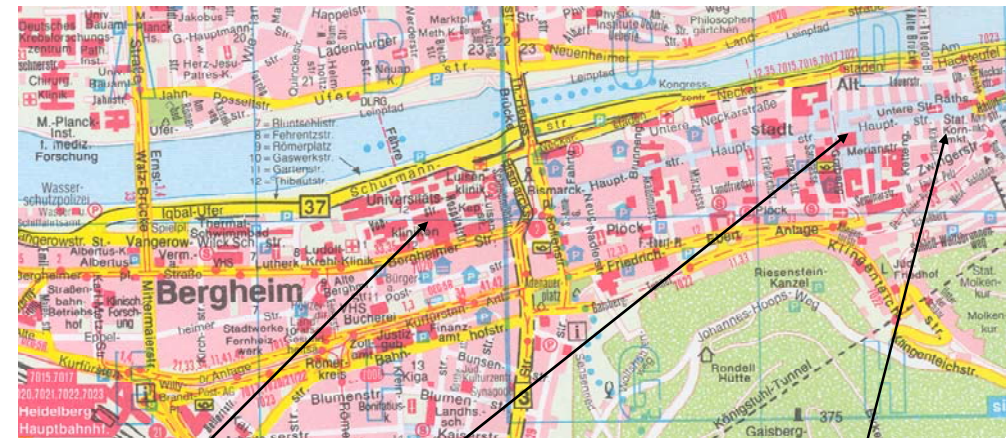
LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

Neither the organizers nor the Old Lecture Hall or Prinz Carl Palais take any responsibility for injury or damage involving persons or property during the conference. Participants are advised to take out their own personal insurance.

CITY OF HEIDELBERG

The conference will be held at the prestigious Old and New University of Heidelberg. Heidelberg offers not only a unique blend of river landscape, historic town and hillside castle, but also a varied cultural scene. There are more than ten museums, among them the famous Collection Prinzhorn, five theatres as well as the philharmonic hall of the Heidelberg Symphony Orchestra. Heidelberg is also an excellent starting point for cultural excursions to the neighbouring cities of Speyer, Mannheim or Worms, boat trips along the Neckar, or visits to the wine country of the nearby Palatinate, the Odenwald Forest or the Alsace area of eastern France.

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