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# INTENTIONALITY

A workshop, part of the IRCHSS-funded project  
“The Phenomenology of Consciousness and Subjectivity”

(Principal Investigator: Dermot Moran)

in the

**Royal Irish Academy**

**19 Dawson Street**

**Dublin 2, Ireland**

**4 –5 February 2010**

## Aim of Workshop

Ever since Brentano revitalized the notion of intentionality to define mental phenomena, it has been the centre of much debate with little consensus. Husserl made the notion central to all phenomenological investigations and with Chisholm the notion found its way back into analytical philosophy. This workshop, which forms part of the IRCHSS-funded project “The Phenomenology of Consciousness and Subjectivity”, aims at advancing research on the concept of intentionality, drawing on the resources of both recent phenomenology and philosophy of mind, as well as exploring the common historical roots of these philosophical traditions. Special attention will be given to the question of the intentional relation to non-existent objects and the legacy of Meinong.

## Organizers

Professor Dermot Moran (UCD)

Dr Lilian Alweiss (TCD)

Dr Rasmus Thybo Jensen (UCD)

## Programme

### Thursday 4 February 2010

8.30-9.00 Registration

9.00-9.30 Welcome Address

**Lilian Alweiss** (Trinity College Dublin) and **Dermot Moran**  
(University College Dublin)

9.30-11.00 **Peter Simons** (Trinity College Dublin): *In Defence of Meinong*

- (Chair: Maria Baghramian)
- 11.00-11.30 Tea/coffee Break
- 11.30-12.30 **Andrew Jorgensen** (University College Dublin): *Meinong on Intending*  
(Chair: Rowland Stout)
- 12.30-14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-15.30 **Jocelyn Benoist** (Université Paris-I Panthéon-Sorbonne / University of Chicago): *Why should Inexistent Objects be a Problem?*  
(Chair: Dermot Moran)
- 15.30-16.00 Tea/coffee break
- 16.00-17.30 **Tim Crane** (University of Cambridge): *The Singularity of Singular Thought*  
(Chair: Lilian Alweiss)
- 17.30-19.00 Wine Reception
- 19.30- Dinner

Friday 5 February

- 9.00-10.30 **Lilian Alweiss** (Trinity College Dublin): *Thinking about Non-Existence*  
(Chair: Julia Jansen)
- 10.30-11.00 Tea/coffee break
- 11.00-12.00 **Rasmus Thybo Jensen** (University College Dublin): *McDowell and Merleau-Ponty on Perceptual Intentionality*  
(Chair: Joseph Cohen)
- 12.00-13.00 **Niall Connolly** (Trinity College Dublin): *Thinking about Non-entities*  
(Chair: Jim O'Shea)
- 13.00-14.30 Lunch
- 14.30-16.00 **Alberto Voltolini** (University of Turin): *Are There Intentionalia that do not exist?*  
(Chair: Jim Levine)
- 16.00-16.30 Tea/coffee break
- 16.30-18.00 **Eduard Marbach** (University of Bern): *A Phenomenological Analysis of Fictional Intentionality and Reference*  
(Chair: Maeve Cooke)
- 18.00-18.15 Closing remarks: **Peter Simons** (Trinity College Dublin)

**Venue**

Royal Irish Academy, 19 Dawson Street, Dublin 2, Ireland

For a map and information about transportation (bus, tram (Luas), city train (DART) and aircoach) and nearby hotels see: <http://www.ria.ie/about/location.html>

### **Registration**

To register, please email [rasmus.jensen@ucd.ie](mailto:rasmus.jensen@ucd.ie) your name and your institutional affiliation. There is a participation fee of €5 for students and €10 for non-students to be paid upon arrival.

### **Dinner**

The three course dinner on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February costs € 20 (not including drinks) and takes place at Restaurant Odessa, 14 Dame Court, Dublin 2. At the restaurant you will get to choose your courses from the Early Bird menu (<http://www.odessa.ie/>). When you register please inform us whether you wish to participate in the dinner and whether you have special dietary requirements. The dinner costs are to be paid upon arrival.

### **Accommodation**

Unfortunately we cannot book accommodation for participants, but here are some links where you can find local hotels: <http://www.ria.ie/about/location.html>; <http://www.cheaphotels.ie/>.

### **Transport from Dublin Airport**

From Dublin Airport you can catch the aircoach to the center of the city: <http://www.aircoach.ie/>. They leave from just outside the entrance to the airport on a regular basis (approximately every 10 minutes). A return ticket is €14 and you can buy the ticket on board. The stop closest to the venue is "Grafton Street, Trinity College" (5 mins walk) and both the LEOPARDSTOWN / SANDYFORD ROUTE and the BALLSBRIDGE / DONNYBROOK ROUTE will take you there.

### **Further Information**

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