Workshop

# Normative Political Theory and Empirical Research:
# Approaches, Methods and Challenges

Monash University Prato Centre (Tuscany, Italy), 1-2 February 2024

## Thursday 1 February 2024

### 9:00-10:45 – Panel 1

Chair: Matteo Bonotti (Monash University)

Speakers:

Hrayr Manukyan (Utrecht University) – 'Normative Theorisation and Protests: The Case of Civil Disobedience in Non-Democratic Contexts' (in person)

Sania Mariam (IITB-Monash Research Academy) – 'The Life of a Pledge: A Case Study of the Promise of Uniform Civil Code in India' (online)

René Rejón (University of Melbourne) – 'Interest Convergence in the Land of the Cosmic Race: Mexican Anti-racism and the Motivation Question' (online)

Ashwini Vasanthakumar (Queen's University) – 'Grounded Normative Theory: Some Critical Reflections' (in person)

### 10:45-11:00 – Tea/coffee break

### 11:00-12:45 – Panel 2

Chair: Matteo Dutto (Monash University)

Aurélia Bardon (University of Konstanz), Matteo Bonotti (Monash University) and Steven T. Zech (Monash University) – 'Civility and Contentious Monuments' (in person)

James Hickson (University of Liverpool) – 'Precarious Places: Inequality, Vulnerability, and Domination in "Left Behind" Communities' (in person)

Jemima McKenna (University of Melbourne) – 'Understanding Power Asymmetry in Externalisation Practices: A Conceptual Map of Domination' (in person)

Juliette Monvoisin (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne) – 'Towards an Empirically-Anchored Conception of States' Obligations of Migration Justice' (in person)

### 12:45-13:45 – Lunch

**13:45-15:30 – Panel 3**

Chair: Andrea Borghini (University of Milan)

Martina Giovine (Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele) – 'Gender-fair Language: Against Hierarchies of Power' (online)

Diarmait Mac Giolla Chriost (Cardiff University) and Hannah Griffiths (Cardiff University) – 'Linguistic Justice in Ireland: A Content Analysis Approach' (online)

María Pía Méndez (Universidad Mayor, Santiago) – 'Lived Experiences: Bringing Back the Applied Component to Our Feminist Inquiries' (online)

Samu/elle Striewski (Freie Universität Berlin) – 'Between Facts and Gender Norms – How Queer Recognition Should Be Struggled for, and What Actually Happens' (in person)

**15:30-15:45 – Tea/coffee break**

**15:45-17:30 – Panel 4**

Chair: Aurélia Bardon (University of Konstanz)

Speakers

Marlon Barbehön (Heidelberg University) - 'Normative Political Theory, Ethnography and "Seeing Like A City"' (in person)

Edmund Handby (Duke University) – 'Against Method and Empirically Informed Political Theory' (online)

Nahshon Perez (Bar Ilan University) – 'Demarcating Normative Political Theory from Political Science - And Why It Methodologically Matters' (online)

Marta Wojciechowska (King's College London) – 'Political Philosophers as "Attendants"' (in person)

**Friday 2 February 2024**

**9:00-10:45 – Panel 5**

Chair: Matteo Bonotti (Monash University)

Speakers:

Matt Bennett (University of Essex) – 'Who Wants Desert?' (online)

Michele Loi (Algorithmwatch Germany) – 'Navigating the Complexity of Algorithmic Bias in Healthcare: A Closer Look at Fairness Measures and "Desert" Features' (in person)

Gijs van Maanen (Tilburg University) – 'Studying Open Government and Open Data: Public Philosophy Meets Praxiography' (online)

Juri Viehoff (University of Utrecht) and Markus Kneer (University of Graz) – 'Fair Chances vs. Better Outcomes? What the People Think (and How It Matters for Public Decision-Making)' (in person)


**10:45-11:00 – Tea/coffee break**


**11:00-12:45 – Panel 6**

Chair: Marta Wojciechowska (King's College London)

Speakers:

Matteo Bonotti (Monash University) and Daniel Susser (Cornell University) – 'Privacy Mini-Publics: A Deliberative Democratic Approach to Understanding Informational Norms' (in person)

Michael Buckley (City University of New York) – 'Methodological Constructivism' (in person)

John Park (California State University, Sacramento) – 'Meritocracy Over Democracy and Epistocracy for Minority Rights' (in person)

Nenad Stojanović (University of Geneva) and Emanuela Ceva (University of Geneva) – 'Exploring Electoral Discrimination through an Ethics of Office Accountability' (in person)


**12:45-13:30 - Lunch**


**13:30-15:15 – Panel 7**

Chair: Nenad Stojanović (University of Geneva)

Speakers:

Geert Demuijnck (EDHEC Business School) – 'Naturalistic Approaches to Normative Discussions and the Naturalistic Fallacy' (in person)

Hsin-Wen Lee (University of Delaware) – 'The Philosopher King and His Cave: The Vice of Abstract Moral Reasoning' (online)

Greg Robson (University of Notre Dame and Iowa State University) – 'Low-Credence Justice Theorizing' (online)

Michael W. Schmidt (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology) and Christine Milchram (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology) – 'Integrating Stakeholder's Conceptions of Fairness and Normative Reasoning: A Wide Reflective Equilibrium Approach' (in person)

**15:15-15:30 – Tea/coffee break**

**15:30-17:30 – Panel 8**

Chair: Matteo Bonotti (Monash University)

Emerson Bodde (Clemson University) – '"Both Reality and Ideal": Doing Epistemic-Democratic Theory through Chinese Political Reality' (online)

Gideon Calder (Swansea University) and Patrick Cockburn (Swansea University) – 'Description, Injustice and the Justification of Normative claims' (online)

Gen Fukushima (Waseda University) – 'To Be Entitled and to Be Believed to Be Entitled: On the Relationship between Normative and Descriptive Legitimacy' (in person)

Laure Gillot-Assayag (Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales) – 'Solving the Puzzle of Political Compromise? How to Unite Normative Philosophy and Empirical Insights for a Comprehensive Understanding of Political Compromise' (online)

Davide Saracino (University of Milan) – 'Legitimacy for Hogs. What People's Selfishness Tells Us About the State's Right to Rule' (online)