

The research project “Freedom as a Key Concept in Theology. A Debate between Compatibilism, Libertarianism and Determinism” aims at a reconciliation of contemporary discourses in Systematic Theology, which often display an unreflected or vague notion of free will, with philosophical debates on libertarianism and compatibilism.

With this interdisciplinary focus in mind, the conference attempts to work out the philosophical foundations of a reflexive and appropriate concept of free will for theological discourses. Internationally renowned experts with different areas of specialization will present and discuss their current research on these topics. The main focus of the conference will lie on the mediation between various forms of thought and approaches towards the debates on free will, especially from analytic philosophy and transcendental philosophy.

Conference Venue

Maternushaus
Kardinal-Frings-Str. 1-3
50668 Köln
www.maternushaus.de

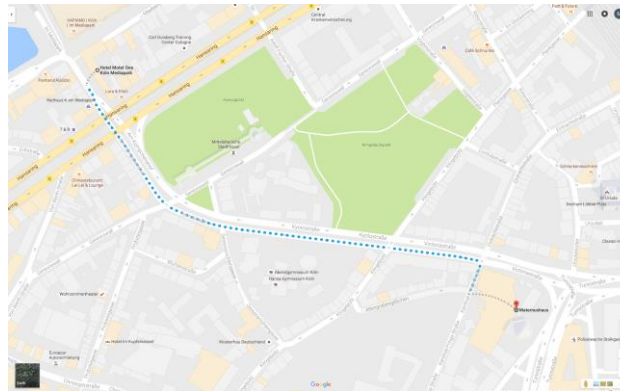
Coffee Breaks and Lunch

All guests of the conference are invited to stay for coffee and snacks as well as for lunch during the coffee and lunch breaks.

Questions and Queries

If there are any questions or queries, please write an email to freiheitdenken@gmail.com

Travel Directions to and from the Motel One



Rethinking Free Will. Contemporary Concepts of Human Free Will Revisited

*International Conference
within the DFG-Project*

„Free Will as Key Concept in Theology“

16.02.2017-18.02.2017

Cologne, Maternushaus

Thursday, February 16th, 2017

12:30: Lunch at the Maternushaus (optional)

Introduction

13:30-13:45 Welcome Speech, Introduction to the Research Project (Saskia Wendel)

13:45-14:00 Introduction to Aims and Methods of the Conference (Martin Breul / Aaron Langenfeld)

Part I: Fundamental Questions of a Contemporary Theory of Free Will

Moderation: Klaus von Stosch

14:00-15:00 Randolph Clarke, Tallahassee:
Free Will, Agent Causation, and 'Disappearing Agents'

15:00-16:00 Geert Keil, Berlin:
Event-Causal Libertarianism and Agential Powers

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30-17:30 Andreas Hüttemann, Cologne:
Does Determinism Matter?

18:00-19:00 Dinner at the Maternushaus

19:30-21:00 Evening Lecture at the University of Cologne:

Moderation: Saskia Wendel

Robert Kane, Austin: *The Intelligibility and Significance of a Traditional Libertarian Free Will in the Context of Modern Science and Secular Learning*

Friday, February 17th, 2017

Part II: Approaching Free Will in different Forms of Thought

Moderation: Aaron Langenfeld

09:00-10:00 Birgit Sandkaulen, Bochum:
Die Ressourcen der klassischen deutschen Philosophie für die Freiheitsfrage

10:00-11:00 Achim Lohmar, Duisburg:
On Why Determinism is Not What Really Matters in the Free Will Issue

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:30 Birgit Recki, Hamburg:
Realismus der Freiheit. Eine Skizze.

12:30-14:00 Lunch at the Maternushaus

Part III: Free Will in Contemporary Debates in the Philosophy of Mind

Moderation: Martin Breul

15:00-16:00 Josef Quitterer, Innsbruck:
The Myth of Conscious Willing – Towards an Alternative Notion of Free Will and Agency

16:00-17:00 Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer, Leipzig:
General knowledge as conceptual precondition of free will and the primacy of performative action

17:00-17:30 Coffee Break

17:30-18:30 Godehard Brüntrup, Munich:
The Metaphysics of Freedom from a Panexperientialist Process-Oriented Approach

20:00 – Open End: Brewery Pub

Saturday, February 18th, 2017

Part IV: Evaluation and Prospects of a Mediated Theory of Free Will

Moderation: Saskia Wendel

09:00-10:00 Thomas Schärfl, Regensburg:
The Burden of Freedom. The Interference of Libertarian Freedom and Philosophical Theology

10:00-11:00 Volker Gerhardt, Berlin:
Glauben als Einstellung zum Wissen. Über einen zusätzlichen Grund für die Freiheit des Glaubens

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:30 Holm Tetens, Berlin:
Freiheit: Weder beweisbar noch widerlegbar?

12:30-13:00 Summary and Theological Outlook (Saskia Wendel, Klaus von Stosch)

13:00 Lunch at the Maternushaus (optional)

End of Conference, Departure