

The Situated Mind: Perception, Experience, and Imagination

Satellite Workshop at the GAP.12

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Venue: Building 23.21, Room U1.95, Heinrich-Heine Universität Düsseldorf
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Abstract: Is situated cognition well-equipped to illuminate the full diversity of our mental phenomena? This workshop will critically probe this question by evaluating whether the notion of a situated mind can be beneficially applied to various mental domains. Our particular focus will be on what are traditionally assumed to be “inner” cognitive phenomena, which are often thought to be especially challenging for situated approaches. With our speakers, we will discuss the domains of perception, experience and imagination, including related disorders.

TIME	TYPE	SPEAKER	TITLE
08:30	Arrival		
09:00 – 10:10	Keynote	Erik Myin (University of Antwerp)	Practices of Imagining
10:10 – 10:30	Coffee break		
10:30 – 11:15	PhD student	Yizhi Li (Ruhr University Bochum)	Mind Wandering as Spontaneous Agency
11:15 – 12:00	PhD student	Kirill Leshchinskii (Osnabrück University)	Depersonalisation as an Existential Boundary Situation
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch break		
13:30 – 14:30	Keynote	Nikola Kompa (Osnabrück University)	Do We Think in a Language?
14:30 – 15:00	Coffee break		
15:00 – 15:45	PhD student	Sofia Pedrini (Ruhr University Bochum)	Accidentally Right: The Epistemic Limits of Imagination
15:45 – 16:30	PhD student	Christian O. Scholz (Ruhr University Bochum)	Aphantasia and the Unconscious Imagery Debate
16:30 – 16:40	Coffee break		
16:40 – 17:50	Keynote	Amy Kind (Claremont McKenna College)	How to Imagine the Impossible

