

Philosophy & Economics: Epistemology, Ontology and Performativity

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Workshop Description

This workshop surveys major issues in the Philosophy of Economics. It presents concepts that are key to the understanding of current topics in economic methodology, recent developments in mainstream economics and the fundamental differences underlying the heterodox vs. mainstream divide in modern economics. The main aim of the workshop is to challenge participants' established way of thinking about economic theories and to encourage them to critically assess the possible merits and challenges that arise from a pluralist understanding of economics as a science.

Suggested Readings

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Kapeller, Jakob / Gräbner, Claudius (2017): The micro-macro link in heterodox economics. In: Jo, Tae-Hee / Chester, Lynne / D'Ippoliti, Carlo (eds): *The Routledge Handbook of Heterodox Economics*, London: Routledge, 145-159.

Extended Readings

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Kapeller, Jakob / Heimberger, Philipp (2017): The performativity of potential output: Pro-cyclicality and path dependency in coordinating European fiscal policies. *Review of International Political Economy*, Vol. 24(5): 904-928.

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Shrader-Frechette, Kristin (2014): *Tainted: How Philosophy of Science Can Expose Bad Science*. Oxford University Press.