Department of Philosophy

Big Questions in Free Will Conference on Free Will and Science

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January 11-13 2013
Augustus B. Turnbull III Conference Center- 555 W. Pensacola Street

Friday, January 11th

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Opening Remarks by Al Mele

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Patrick Haggard (University College London) & Matthew Salvaris (University College London): "Intentions: Time Before and Time After"
Chair: Tracie Mahaffey (Florida State)

4:10 pm – 5:10 pm

Carolina Sartorio (Arizona):
"Causation and Free Will"
Chair: Jason Miller (Florida State)

5:20 pm – 6:20 pm

Alison Gopnik (California-Berkeley):
"The Development of Conceptions of Free Will in Preschoolers"
Chair: Michael Bishop (Florida State)

Saturday, January 12th

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Peter Tse
(Dartmouth): "What is the Readiness Potential?"
Chair: Kyle Fritz (Florida State)

10:10 am – 11:10 am
Andrew Monroe (Brown): “People’s Beliefs in Free Will: Myths and Reality”
Chair: Marcela Herdova (Florida State)

11:20 am – 12:20 pm

Uri Maoz (California Institute of Technology): “Intracranial study of free will and moral responsibility”
Chair: Marcela Herdova (Florida State)

12:30 pm – 1:50 pm

Lunch break

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Gunnar Björnsson (Umeå University): “Illusions of Moral Responsibility”
Chair: Tina Talsma (Florida State)

3:10 pm – 4:10 pm

Hakwan Lau (Columbia): “A New Empirical Approach to Study the Functions of Subjective Awareness”

Myrto Mylopoulos (City University of New York): “The Conceptual Connections between Free Will and Consciousness”
Chair: James Justus (Florida State)

4:20 pm – 5:20 pm

Roy Baumeister (Florida State): “Free Will: Motivated Belief and Social Reality”

Jamie Luguri (Yale): “When and Why People Believe They Are Free: A Motivated Account of Free Will Belief”
Chair: James Justus (Florida State)

Sunday, January 13th

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Ariel Furstenberg & Venkatakrishnan Ramaswamy (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): “Structures of Intention: Neural Signatures and Single-Trial Decoding”
Chair: Robyn Waller (Florida State)
10:10 am – 11:10 am

Jonathan Schooler (California-Santa Barbara) & Kathleen Vohs (Minnesota): “Experimental Manipulations of Belief in Free Will: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly”
Chair: Stephen Kearns (Florida State)

11:20 am – 12:20 pm

Randolph Clarke (Florida State): “Freely Omitting to Act”
Chair: Stephen Kearns (Florida State)

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