2018

Utility, Progress, and Technology

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Welcome to ISUS 2018!

Organising the 15th conference of the International Society for Utilitarian Studies has been a great pleasure for us. We are honored the ISUS committee trusted us with this project and sincerely thank you all for joining us in Karlsruhe from all over the world.

Legend has it that the founder of Karlsruhe, Margrave of Baden-Durlach Karl Wilhelm, fell asleep in the forest and dreamt of a palace. He had the palace of Karlsruhe built in 1715, in that very forest, as the epicentre of a new city. The absolutist idea reflected in the map of Karlsruhe, with the ruler overlooking its streets from the palace's tower, of course reminded us of Jeremy Bentham's panopticon project, which subsequently led to various aspects of the conference taking equally peculiar shapes.
We hope you enjoy it!

Our conference theme, 'Utility, Progress, and Technology' is intended to emphasise that any reflection on technology necessarily requires normative dimensions that even the best scientific education or training cannot provide. Does some innovation, useful as it may seem, actually constitute progress? Does it increase human happiness? We hope ISUS 2018 will help all of us in improving our thinking on these (and other) philosophical problems.

Michael Schefczyk and Christoph Schmidt-Petri

With the local organising team:
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About the Hosts

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

The Karlsruhe Institute of Technology was created in 2009 through the merger of two institutions with much longer traditions: the Technical University of Karlsruhe, founded in 1825, and the Karlsruhe Nuclear Research Centre, founded in 1956.

KIT is now the biggest research institution in Germany – with a budget of about 900 million Euros, 9.000 members of staff and more than 25.000 students.

Four of its Professors and two former students have been awarded Nobel Prizes (mostly in chemistry). Its affiliates also include well-known people like Heinrich Hertz, who proved the existence of electromagnetic waves, Karl Benz, the inventor of the automobile, and post-war architect Egon Eiermann. Three of the founders of the software firm SAP have studied at KIT, and one of its graduates, Alexander Gerst, is currently in outer space.

KIT is the best German university in the QS Employability Ranking at place 30 in the world.

W. B. Rogers, the founding director of MIT, summarised his opinion on the (then) Polytechnical School in Karlsruhe in 1864 as follows:

The Polytechnic Institute at Carlsruhe, which is regarded as the model school of Germany and perhaps of Europe, is nearer what it is intended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology shall be than any other foreign institution.

International Society for Utilitarian Studies

The International Society for Utilitarian Studies (ISUS) reflects the world-wide interest in utilitarianism. It is based at the Bentham Project at the Faculty of Laws, University College London. The aims of this body are to further the work of the Bentham Project in making available all of Bentham's writings in modern scholarly editions; to organize seminars and conferences on topics relevant to lawyers, philosophers, political scientists and historians; to provide a forum for debate and research on utilitarianism and its present-day relevance in the fields of legal, political and social reform.

Members of ISUS receive the quarterly journal *Utilitas* (published by Cambridge University Press) and a discount of 25% on the list price of the *Collected Works of Jeremy Bentham* (published by Oxford University Press) – and many other happiness-promoting benefits.

Recent ISUS conferences were held at Lille Catholic University (France), Yokohama National University (Japan), the Stern School of Business of New York University (USA), Pisa University (Italy), and the University of California at Berkeley (USA).

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During the conference, we will be taking **pictures**. We intend to put up some of these on the website (about 15). If you do not want your picture to appear on the website, please let the organisers know.

Programme Overview ISUS 2018

July 22 & 23	Monday July 23	**ISUS 2018** Tuesday July 24	**ISUS 2018** Wednesday July 25	**ISUS 2018** Thursday July 26	July 27 & 28
ISUS Summer School	ISUS Summer School (2nd day)	Talks in seven parallel sessions	Talks in seven parallel sessions	Talks in seven parallel sessions	ISUS Satellite Workshops
	Evening: Public Lecture Dieter Birnbacher	Evening: Keynote Anders Sandberg	Evening: Keynote Julia Driver	Evening: Keynote William MacAskill	
	Get together			Conference Dinner	

Summer School

Panel: New Technology

09:00 10:20	Anders Sandberg (University of Oxford/UK)
10:40 11:20	Karolina Kudlek (University of Twente/Netherlands) *The Role of Utilitarianism in the Moral Bioenhancement Debate*
10:40 11:20	Timo Speith (Saarland University/Germany) *Moral(?) Decision-Making of Autonomous Systems under Uncertainty*
12:00 12:40	Tomi Francis (University of Oxford/UK) *On Deciding Between Maximising Expected Total Utility and Minimising Existential Risk*

Panel: Objections to Utilitarianism

14:00 15:20	Ulla Wessels (Saarland University/Germany)
15:40 16:20	Simon Rosenqvist (Uppsala University/Sweden) *Utilitarianism and Action Guidance*
16:20 17:00	Logan T. Wigglesworth (Rice University Houston/USA) *A Finer Measure for Higher Pleasure*

Monday, July 23

Panel: Utilitarian Thinkers / History of Utilitarianism

09:00 10:20	Julia Driver (Washington University in St. Louis/USA)
10:40 11:20	Michał Kłusek (Jagiellonian University Cracow/Poland) *Nudging for the Most Good – Comments on Effective Altruism and the Identifiability Effect*
10:40 11:20	Jeremy Letwin (King's College London/UK) *Can Utilitarianism Take Moral Rights Seriously?*
12:00 12:40	Fayna Fuentes Lopez (Macquarie University Sydney/Australia) *Killing Animals: Replaceability and Value*

Panel: Population Ethics

14:00 15:20	Roger Crisp (University of Oxford/UK)
15:40 16:20	Konstantin Weber (Friedrich Alexander University Erlangen/Germany) *The Procreation Asymmetry and Common Sense*
16:20 17:00	Jonas Harney (Humboldt University Berlin/Germany) *Parfit's Wide Dual Person-Affecting Principle: A Double Hybrid*

Conference Day 1: Tuesday July 24

	Main Building				Tower Building		
	Room A Raised Ground Floor	**Room B** First Floor	**Room C** First Floor	**Room D** Second Floor	**Room E** First Floor	**Room F** Seventh Floor	**Room G** Seventh Floor
Slot 1 09:00 - 09:45			Opening Michael Schefczyk C. Schmidt-Petri				
Slot 2 09:45 - 10:30	Lisa Forsberg: *Neurointerventions and English civil law on consent*	Nils Einsfelder: *Preferences and Moral Psychology*	Piers Turner: *Is Mill a Luck Egalitarian?*	Panel: **Utility, Nudges and Behavioral Insights: New Technologies to Improve Peoples' Behaviour**			Antonin Broi: *The Systemic Change Objection To Effective Altruism*
10:30 - 11:00	**Coffee Break**						
Slot 3 11:00 - 11:45	Jonas Harney: *Parfit's Wide Dual Person--Affecting Principle: A Double Hybrid*	David Lanius: *A Systematic Flaw in the Classical Arguments against Traditional Hedonism*	S. Engelmann: *'Protagoras' Political Economy, Technology, and Progress: John Stuart Mill in the 1830s*	Malik Bozzo-Rey *(Convenor)* Anne Brunon-Ernst Viktor Ivankovic	Hiroki Ueno: *The Relationship Between the Principles of Utility and Justice in the Theory of Moral Sentiments*	T. Zoglauer: *Gambling with technological risks: a case of dirty hands?*	Michal Klusek: *Nudging for the Most Good – Comments on Effective Altruism and the Identifiability Effect*
Slot 4 11:45 - 12:30	P. Van Basshuysen: *The Repugnant Conclusion and Measuring Well–Being in Possible Populations*	Adam Shriver: *Is Hedonism a Version of Axiological Monism?*	Don Habibi: *Utility and Progress: John Stuart Mill on Rebellion and Revolution and the Trajectory of History*		S. Yamazaki: *The Possibility of Indirect Utilitarian Strategy in Pigou's Welfare Economics*	A. Akampurira: *Emerging Technologies in Healthcare: A Challenge to Developing Countries*	Michael Plant: *Maximising World Happiness: What Should We Do?*
12:30 - 14:00	**Lunch Break**						
Slot 5 14:00 - 14:45	Christian Tarsney: *Non-Identity, Times Infinity*	Chien-Kang Chen: *Henry Sidgwick and Xunzi: A Comparative Study*	Marco E. L. Guidi: *Utilitarian Virtue and Civil Progress*	Panel: **Axiological Implications of New Developments in Welfare Science** Adam Shriver *(Convenor)* Lisa Forsberg *(Convenor)* Anthony Skelton	Daisuke Arie: *J.S.Mill's Cruel and Godless World of Political Economy*	Panel: **Philosophy, Obligation and the Law: Bentham's Ontology of Normativity** Philip Schofield *(Convenor)* Piero Tarantino *(Convenor)*	Emily Larman: *Utilitarianism and the English Poor Law Reform 1832-1837*
Slot 6 14:45 - 15:30	Hayden Wilkinson: *Infinite, invariant, impartial consequentialism*	Gary Comstock: *Utilitarian Assessment of the Legal Value of Companion Animals*	Antis Loizides: *James Mill's Sources on Progress and Civilization: A Study of The History of British India*		Simon Derpmann: *Mill's Political Economy as Social Engineering*		Helen McCabe: *'Civil and Domestic Slavery'*
15:30 - 16:00	**Coffee Break**						
Slot 7 16:00 - 16:45	A. Gustafson: *The Importance of the Moral Sentiments, Sympathy, Imagination and Community for Utilitarianism*	**Panel:** **Utilitarianism, Varner's Animals** Gary Comstock *(Convenor)* Susana Monsó Alastair Norcross Adam Shriver Gary Varner	Leonard Kahn: *Abortion and Act-Utilitarianism*			Malik Bozzo-Rey Emmanuelle De Champs Anne Brunon-Ernst Gianfranco Pellegrino	Klem Thomsen: *The Badness of Surveillance*
Slot 8 16:45 - 17:30	Kacper Kowalczyk: *Extrinsic Identity, Intrinsic Value*		Dale Miller: *Rule Consequentialism and Climate Change*				V.–E. Mathon: *A Shell Game Theory, for a green crypto–currency*
17:30 - 18:00	**Break**						
Keynote Lecture 18:00 - 19:00			Anders Sandberg: *Grand Futures*				

Conference Day 2: Wednesday July 25

	Main Building				**Tower Building**		
	Room A Raised Ground Floor	**Room B** First Floor	**Room C** First Floor	**Room D** Second Floor	**Room E** First Floor	**Room F** Seventh Floor	**Room G** Seventh Floor
Slot 1 09:00 - 09:45	**Panel: Moral Theory and the Consequentialism/ Non-Consequentialism Distinction** Christian Seidel *(Convenor)* Vuko Andrić	**Panel: Postema's Two Books on Bentham's Legal Philosophy** Xiaobo Zhai *(Convenor)* Francesco Ferraro Michihiro Kaino	Ryu Okazaki: *Hegels Begriff der Nützlichkeit. Zum Zusammenhang von Nützlichkeit, Religions-kritik und Terror*	Moritz Hildt: *Giving Hedonism A Second (and Proper) Chance*	Tatjana Višak: *New Arguments for Existential Benefits and Harms*	Cheng Li: *Samuel Romilly's Role in Jeremy Bentham's legislative career*	Charlotte Unruh: *Letting the Climate Change*
Slot 2 09:45 - 10:30			Yasunori Fukagai: *Putting Knowledge into Machinery/Mechanic Metaphor and into Bodily/Biological Metaphor*	L. Wigglesworth: *A Finer Measure for Higher Pleasure*	Tomi Francis: *On Deciding Between Maximising Expected Total Utility and Minimising Existential Risk*	Peter Lythe: *Jeremy Bentham on the Edifice and Artifice of the Church of England*	Christoph Lumer: *From Utilitarianism to Prioritarianism*
10:30 - 11:00	**Coffee Break**						
Slot 3 11:00 - 11:45	Annette Dufner Tim Henning Jan Gertken Paul Hurley Thomas Schmidt	Michael Lobban Dan Priel Gerald Postema Simon Palmer	Bashar Haydar: *Benefit from Harm*	Alexandra Zinke: *Two Ways to Maximize Preference Satisfaction*	Korbinian Rüger: *Individual Claims and Population Ethics*	A. Brunon-Ernst: *Indirect Legislation: The New Bentham-Foucault Conundrum*	Stefan Hofmann: *Richard Brandt's Rule Utilitarianism: Replies to the Demandingness Objection*
Slot 4 11:45 - 12:30			M. Zimmermann: *Willful Ignorance and Moral Responsibility*	Thorsten Helfer: *Two Dilemmas for Desire-Fulfilment Theories*	Giuseppe Rocché: *About the Badness of Coming into Existence and Extinction*	Steven Sverdlik: *Bentham on Temptation and Deterrence*	Scott Forschler: *Two Forms of Moral Universelizability in Consequentialism*
12:30 - 14:00	**Lunch Break** — 13:00 - 14:00 **ISUS Meeting**						
Slot 5 14:00 - 14:45	Panel cont'd	Panel cont'd	Rex Mixon: *Bentham's Theory of Value and Moral Duty*	**Panel: Plant Ethics and Consequentialism** Gianfranco Pellegrino *(Convenor)* Marcello Di Paola Tatjana Višak	Tim Mulgan: *What Exactly Is Wrong with Human Extinction?*	Rhys Southan: *Experience Machines, Not Nursing Homes*	
Slot 6 14:45 - 15:30			Philip Schofield: *Jeremy Bentham on Adult-Child Sex and Infanticide*		Matthew Clark: *The Continuous Weak Superiority View*		
15:30 - 16:00	**Coffee Break**						
Slot 7 16:00 - 16:45		Panel cont'd		Wendy Donner: *Mill's Art of Life*	Antonin Broi: *The Measurability of Subjective Well-Being*	Fei Song: *A Critical Review of John Harsanyi's Coordination Argument*	Blanca R. Lopez: *Prenatal Enhancement. Social Pressure and Coercion*
Slot 8 16:45 - 17:30	Martin Peterson: *Nihilism, Utilitarianism, and Kahane's Wager*	Thomas Carson: *Was Abraham Lincoln a Utilitarian?*	Piero Tarantino: *'As If It Were True': Bentham's Theory of Real and Fictitious Entities*	C. Macleod: *On Miller on Mill on Prudence*	Lukas Gloor: *Absence of Desire Theories and Pleasure's Role in Motivation*	Ian Kynast: *Possible Worlds Argument for the Equivalence of Act- and Rule Utilitarianism*	Shingo Segawa: *Ist der Personen-begriff wirklich überflüssig für die biomedizinische Ethik?*
17:30 - 18:00	**Break**						
Keynote Lecture 18:00 - 19:00			Julia Driver: *Utilitarianism and the Minimal Virtues*				

Conference Day 3: Thursday July 26

	Main Building				**Tower Building**		
	Room A Raised Ground Floor	**Room B** First Floor	**Room C** First Floor	**Room D** Second Floor	**Room E** First Floor	**Room F** Seventh Floor	**Room G** Seventh Floor
Slot 1 09:00 - 09:45		Tomasz Zuradski: *The Axiology of the Cost−Benefit Approach to Rescue Medicine*	**Panel: Effective Altruism: Normative Questions** Stefan Riedener *(Convenor)* Andreas T. Schmidt Samuel Hughes Teruji Thomas	C. Woodard: *Utilitarianism and Legitimacy*		**Panel: Sidgwick and the methods of ethics** Dorothee Bleisch *(Convenor)* Michael W. Schmidt *(Convenor)*	Susanne Mantel: *The Reasons of Objective Consequentialism and Collective Action Problems*
Slot 2 09:45 - 10:30	Koji Tachibana: *Neurofeedback-Based Moral Enhancement and Moral Reason*	Karsten K. Jensen: *Weak Superiority, Imprecise Equality and the Repugnant Conclusion*		Vuko Andrić: *The Utilitarian Justification of Democracy*	Benjamin Bourcier: *Responsibility and Utility in Bentham's Thought*		Simon Rosenqvist: *Utilitarianism and Action Guidance*
10:30 - 11:00	**Coffee Break**						
Slot 3 11:00 - 11:45	**Panel: The Moral Implications of Driverless Cars** C. Schmidt-Petri *(Convenor)* Dieter Birnbacher Armin Grunwald Sven Nyholm Anders Sandberg	E. De Champs: *Condorcet and Bentham on Interests, Representation and the Public Good*	Panel cont'd	Kevin Baum: *A New View on Collective Decision Situations*	Martin Hähnel: *The place of good, goodness and goods within consequentialist frameworks*	Katarzyna de Lazari-Radek Tyler Paytas David Brink	Sisheng Zhang: *If You're an Egalitarian, How Come You Like Lotteries?*
Slot 4 11:45 - 12:30		David Liebermann: *Jeremy Bentham on Equality and Democracy*		Johan Gustafsson: *Moral Aggregation, Utilitarianism, and the Argument for Best Outcomes*	J.De Sousa e Brito: *Climbing the Same Mountain: Utilitarianism and Aristotelianism*		Ken Oshitani: *The Varieties of Contractualism and the Authority of Morality*
12:30 - 14:00	**Lunch Break**						
Slot 5 14:00 - 14:45	**Classical Utilitarianism and Free Speech** Peter Niesen *(Convenor)* Frauke Höntzsch Anthony Julius Filimon Peonidis		Malcolm Quinn: *Bentham and the Arts: New Directions*	Minami Murata: *John Stuart Mill's Concept of Representation for Dem. Progress*	Ricardo Miguel: *Against Animal Replaceability: A Restriction on Consequences*	**Panel: Jeremy Bentham's Art and Science of Legislation** Angela Marciniak *(Convenor)* Michael Quinn Chris Riley	T. Speith, K. Baum: *Should Utilitarians Recommend Non-Consequentialist Autonomous Vehicles?*
Slot 6 14:45 - 15:30		C. Oesterheld: *Newcomb's Problem, the Prisoner's Dilemma and Large Universes*	Peter Weibel: *Constitutional Code - The Heart of Fiction*	G. Hessmann Dalaqua: *Individuality, conflict, and progress in J. S. Mill*	Eze Paez: *The Unimportance of Species on Rule-Consequentialism*		Johannes Treutlein: *Global Consequentialism for Machines*
15:30 - 16:00	**Coffee Break**						
Slot 7 16:00 - 16:45	Panel cont'd		Ingmar Persson: *Parfit's Reorientation: From Revisionism to Conciliationalism*			Panel cont'd	

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Keynote Lecture 19:00 - 20:00	William MacAskill: *Effective Altruism: A Research Agenda*
20:00 - 23:00	Panopticon Dinner

Panels

Utility, Nudges and Behavioral Insights: New Technologies to Improve People's Behaviour

Convenor: Malik Bozzo-Rey · Room D, 11.00-12.30

Malik Bozzo-Rey (Lille Catholic University/France)
Nudges, Behavioral Sciences and Utility: Some Normative Challenges.

Anne Brunon-Ernst (Université Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas/France)
Framing Consent.

Viktor Ivankovic (Central European University/Hungary)
Nudging, Transparency, and Watchfulness.

Axiological Implications of New Developments in Welfare Science

Convenors: Adam Shriver & Lisa Forsberg · Room D, 14.00-15.30

Adam Shriver (Oxford University/UK)

Lisa Forsberg (Oxford University/UK) & Anthony Skelton (University of Western Ontario/USA)

Philosophy, Obligation and the Law: Bentham's Ontology of Normativity

Convenors: Philip Schofeld & Piero Tarantino · Room F, 14.00-17.30

Malik Bozzo-Rey (Lille Catholic University/France)
Norms and Obligations in Bentham's Theory of Law.

Emmanuelle De Champs (Université de Cergy-Pontoise/France)
The Historical Sources of Bentham's Theory of Real and Fictitious Entities.

Anne Brunon-Ernst (Université Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas/France)
A Special Case of Normativity: Indirect Legislation.

Gianfranco Pellegrino (LUISS Guido Carli/Italy)
Bentham's View of Fictitious Entities and the Metaethical Framework of Contemporary Fictionalism.

Philip Schofield (University College London/UK),
The Place of Logic and Language in the Future Direction of Bentham Studies.

Hare's Utilitarianism, Varner's Animals

Convenor: Gary Comstock · Room B, 16.00-17.30

Gary Comstock (North Carolina State University/USA)

Susana Monsó (University of Graz/Austria)

Alastair Norcross (University of Colorado Boulder/USA)

Adam Shriver (University of Oxford/UK)

Gary Varner (Texas A&M University/USA)

Moral Theory and the Consequentialism/Non-Consequentialism Distinction

Convenor: Christian Seidel   Room A, 09.00-16.45

Vuko Andrić (Bayreuth University/Germany)
A Defence of the Consequentialism/Non-Consequentialism Distinction.

Annette Dufner (Bonn University/Germany)
The Partial Convergence Between Kantianism and Sidgwick's Utilitarianism.

Jan Gertken (Humboldt University Berlin/Germany)
Consequentialism and Directed Obligations.

Tim Henning (Stuttgart University/Germany)
The Mere Addition Paradox, Morality De Re, and Consequentialism.

Paul Hurley (Claremont McKenna College/USA)
Consequentializing: Consequentialism's Strongest Case, or Its Last Gasp?

Thomas Schmidt (Humboldt University Berlin/Germany)
The Structural Appeal of Consequentialism (and How to Resist It).

On Postema's Two Books on Bentham's Legal Philosophy

Convenor: Xiaobo Zhai   Room B, 09.00-16.45

Francesco Ferraro (University of Milan/Italy)
Constitutional Rights: An Attempt at a Benthamic Understanding.

Michihiro Kaino (Doshisha University/Japan)
Bentham's Theories of the Rule of Law and the Universal Interest.

Michael Lobban (London School of Economics/UK)
Postema and the Common Law Tradition.

Simon Palmer (Leuphana University, Germany and University College London/UK)
Postema on Bentham on Meaning.

Dan Priel (Osgoode Hall Law School/Canada)
Bentham's Utilitarianism and his Jurisprudence.

Xiaobo Zhai (University of Macau/China)
Bentham and Postema on the Rule of Law.

Gerald Postema (The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill/USA)
Replies.

Plant Ethics and Consequentialism

Convenor: Gianfranco Pellegrino   Room D, 14.00-15.30

Gianfranco Pellegrino (Luiss Guido Carli/Italy)

Marcello Di Paola (Luiss Guido Carli/Italy)

Tatjana Višak (Goethe University Frankfurt/Germany)

Day 3, Thursday July 26

Effective Altruism: Normative Questions

Convenor: Stefan Riedener   Room C, 09.00-12.30

Andreas T. Schmidt (University of Groningen/Netherlands)
Should Effective Altruists be Egalitarians?

Samuel Hughes (University of Cambridge/UK)
Effective Altruism and the Ethics of Apocalypse.

Teruji Thomas (University of Oxford/UK)
Must Tiny Chances Count?

Stefan Riedener (University of Zurich/Switzerland)
Effective Altruism under Moral Uncertainty.

Sidgwick and The Methods of Ethics

Convenors: Dorothee Bleisch & Michael W. Schmidt   Room F, 09.00-12.30

David O. Brink (University of California, San Diego/USA)
Three Dualisms: Sidgwick, Green, and Bradley.

Katarzyna de Lazari-Radek (University of Łódź/Poland)
Sidgwick and Three Accounts of Pleasure.

Tyler Paytas (Australian Catholic University/Australia)
The Cosmos of Reasons: Sidgwickian Ethics and Non-Moral Consequentialism.

Michael W. Schmidt (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology/Germany)
Sidgwick, Reflective Equilibrium and the Triviality Charge.

The Moral Implications of Driverless Cars

Convenor: Christoph Schmidt-Petri   Room A, 11.00-12.30

Sven Nyholm (Eindhoven University of Technology/Netherlands)
The Ethics of Self-Driving Cars and the Traditional Moral Theories.

Dieter Birnbacher (Düsseldorf University/Germany)
How Much Equality?

Anders Sandberg (Oxford University/UK)
Moral Proxies on the Road: Value Alignment and the Freedom to Hold Ethical Views.

Armin Grunwald (Karlsruhe Institut of Technology/Germany)
The Role of Ethics in the German Public Debate on Self-Driving Cars.

Classical Utilitarianism and Free Speech

Convenor: Peter Niesen   Room A, 14.00-16.45

Frauke Höntzsch (Augsburg University/Germany)
Hate Speech as a Restriction on Liberty. J. S. Mill's Harm Principle and the Limits of Free Speech.

Anthony Julius (University College London/UK)
Who Was the Greater Champion of Literature, Bentham or Mill?.

Filimon Peonidis (University of Thessaloniki/Greece)
James Mill's Theory of Free Speech: A Philosophical Assessment.

Jeremy Bentham's Art and Science of Legislation

Convenor: Angela Marciniak   Room F, 14.00-16.45

Angela Marciniak (Gießen University/Germany)
"Utility is not a Law": Jeremy Bentham's Political Political Theory.

Michael Quinn (University College London/UK)
"In the Banking Business, Every Thing is out of its Name": Bentham on the Magic of Papermoney and the Interests of the Bankers.

Chris Riley (University College London/UK)
The Hermit and the Boa Constrictor: Jeremy Bentham, Lord Brougham, and the Accessibility of Justice.

Workshops

John Stuart Mill's Naturalism - Moral and Political	Friday, July 27

Organisers: Philipp Schink (Frankfurt University/Germany)
Michael Schefczyk (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology/Germany)

10:15 11:00	Philipp Schink (Frankfurt University/Germany) *Mill's Naturalism – Prospects and Problems of a Naturalistic Justification of Normativity*
11:00 12:30	Christopher MacLeod (Lancaster University/UK) *Second Naturalism in Mill*
	Lunch Break
14:00 15:30	Tatjana Tarkian (University of Erfurt/Germany) *Mill on the Authority of Morality*
15:30 17:00	David Brink (University of California, San Diego/USA) *Mill's Ethical Naturalism*
17:00 18:30	Dale E. Miller (Old Dominion/USA) *Liberal Naturalism in Mill's Moral Philosophy*

Derek Parfit's Philosophical Legacy	Friday, July 27

Organiser: Christian Seidel (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology/Germany)

08:45 09:00	Christian Seidel (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology/Germany) *Welcome and Introduction*
09:00 10:00	Katarzyna de Lazari-Radek (University of Łódź/Poland) *Derek Parfit on Act-Consequentialism*
	Coffee Break
10:30 11:30	Brad Hooker (University of Reading/UK) *The Anti-Act-Consequentialist Legacy of Parfit's Later Work*
11:30 12:30	Matthias Hoesch (WWU Münster/Germany) *Parfit's Kantianism*
	Lunch Break
13:30 14:30	Julia Driver (Washington University in St. Louis/USA) *The Second Mistake of Moral Mathematics*
14:30 15:30	Melinda Roberts (The College of New Jersey/USA) *The Better Chance Puzzle, the Nonidentity Problem and the Value of Existence*
	Coffee Break
16:00 17:00	Susanne Mantel (Saarland University/Germany) *Facts, Reasons, and Rationality*
17:00 18:00	Roger Crisp (University of Oxford/UK) *Parfit on Partiality*

Prioritarianism   Friday, July 27

Organisers: Vuko Andrić (Bayreuth University/Germany)
Annette Dufner (Bonn University/Germany)
Rudolf Schüßler (Bayreuth University/Germany)

10:00 11:15	Ingmar Persson (University of Gothenburg/Sweden) *Prioritarianism and the Negativity Bias*
11:30 12:45	Weyma Lübbe (University of Regensburg/Germany) *Aggregation vs. Identification of Respects in Theories of Moral Evaluation*
	Lunch Break
14:00 15:15	Nils Holtug (University of Copenhagen/Denmark) *Prioritarianism: Ex Ante, Ex Post or Factualist Criterion of Rightness*
15:30 16:45	Annette Dufner (Bonn University/Germany) *Is (Ex Ante) Prioritarianism Impartial?*

Saturday, July 28

10:00 11:15	Vuko Andrić (Bayreuth University/Germany) *Prioritarian Intuitions*
11:30 12:45	Christoph Lumer (University of Siena/Italy) *How to Define 'Prioritarianism' and how to Distinguish It from (Moderate) Egalitarianism*
	Lunch Break
14:00 15:15	Andrew Williams (Universitat Pompeu Fabra/Spain) *Time, Age, and the Priority View*
15:30 16:45	Rudolf Schüßler (Bayreuth University/Germany) *Exploring Pro Tanto Prioritarianism*

All Accepted Section Talks in Alphabetical Order

Akampurira, Andrew (Makerere University/Uganda) Tue, Room F, 11.45
*Emerging Technologies in Healthcare: A Challenge
to Developing Countries.*

Andrić, Vuko (Bayreuth University/Germany) Thu, Room D, 09.45
The Utilitarian Justification of Democracy.

Arie, Daisuke (Yokohama National University/Japan) Tue, Room E, 14.00
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Baum, Kevin (Saarland University/Germany) Thu, Room D, 11.00
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Bourcier, Benjamin (Catholic University of Lille/France) Thu, Room E, 09.45
*Bringing the State Back into Cosmopolitanism: Responsibility
and Utility in Bentham's Thought.*

Brito, José De Sousa E. (Tribunal Constitucional/Portugal) Thu, Room E, 11.45
Climbing the Same Mountain: Utilitarianism and Aristotelianism.

Broi, Antonin (Sorbonne Université/France) Tue, Room G, 09.45
The Systemic Change Objection To Effective Altruism.

Broi, Antonin (Sorbonne Université/France) Wed, Room E, 16.00
The Measurability of Subjective Well-Being.

Brunon-Ernst, Anne (Université Panthéon-Assas/France) Wed, Room F, 11.00
Indirect Legislation: The New Bentham-Foucault Conundrum.

Carson, Thomas (Loyola University Chicago/USA) Wed, Room B, 16.45
Was Abraham Lincoln a Utilitarian?

Chen, Chien-Kang (National Chengchi University/Taiwan) Tue, Room B, 14.00
Henry Sidgwick and Xunzi: A Comparative Study.

Clark, Matthew (University of St Andrews/UK) Wed, Room E, 14.45
The Continuous Weak Superiority View.

Comstock, Gary (North Carolina State University/USA) Tue, Room B, 14.45
Utilitarian Assessment of the Legal Value of Companion Animals.

De Champs, Emmanuelle (Université de Cergy-Pontoise/France) Thu, Room B, 11.00
*Greatest or Public Happiness? Condorcet and Bentham on Interests,
Representation and the Public Good.*

Derpmann, Simon (Münster University/Germany) Tue, Room E, 14.45
Mill's Political Economy as Social Engineering.

Donner, Wendy (Carleton University/Canada) Wed, Room D, 16.00
Mill's Art of Life.

Einsfelder, Nils (University of Bonn/Germany), Tue, Room B, 09.45
Preferences and Moral Psychology.

Engelmann, Stephen (University of Illinois at Chicago/USA) Tue, Room C, 11.00
*'Protagoras' Political Economy, Technology, and Progress:
John Stuart Mill in the 1830s.*

Forsberg, Lisa (Oxford University/UK) Tue, Room A, 09.45
'Neurointerventions' and English Civil Law on Consent.

Forschler, Scott (Independent Scholar/USA) Wed, Room G, 11.45
Two Forms of Moral Universalizability in Consequentialism.

Francis, Tomi (University of Oxford/UK) Wed, Room E, 09.45
*On Deciding Between Maximising Expected Total Utility and
Minimising Existential Risk.*

Fukagai, Yasunori (Yokohama National University/Japan) Wed, Room C, 09.45
*Putting Knowledge into Machinery/Mechanic Metaphor and into
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Gloor, Lukas (Foundational Research Institute/Germany)   Wed, Room E, 16.45
    Absence of Desire Theories and Pleasure's Role in Motivation.

Guidi, Marco E. L. (University of Pisa/Italy)   Tue, Room C, 14.00
    Utilitarian Virtue and Civil Progress.

Gustafson, Andrew (Creighton University/USA)   Tue, Room A, 16.00
    Mill's Criticisms of Jeremy Bentham: The Importance of the Moral
    Sentiments, Sympathy, Imagination and Community for Utilitarianism.

Gustafsson, Johan (University of York/UK)   Thu, Room D, 11.45
    Moral Aggregation, Utilitarianism, and the Argument for
    Best Outcomes.

Habibi, Don (University of North Carolina at Wilmington/USA)   Tue, Room C, 11.45
    Utility and Progress: John Stuart Mill on Rebellion and Revolution and
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Hähnel, Martin (Catholic University Eichstätt-Ingolstadt/Germany)   Thu, Room E, 11.00
    The Place of Good, Goodness and Goods within Consequentialist
    Frameworks.

Harney, Jonas (Saarland University/Germany)   Tue, Room A, 11.00
    Parfit's Wide Dual Person-Affecting Principle: A Double Hybrid.

Haydar, Bashar (American University of Beirut/Lebanon)   Wed, Room C, 11.00
    Benefiting from Harm.

Helfer, Thorsten (Saarland University/Germany)   Wed, Room D, 11.45
    Two Dilemmas for Desire-Fulfilment Theories.

Hessmann Dalaqua, Gustavo (University of São Paulo/Brazil)   Thu, Room D, 14.45
    Representative Democracy and Aesthetic Self-Development:
    Individuality, Conflict, and Progress in J. S. Mill.

Hildt, Moritz (University of Tübingen/Germany)   Wed, Room D, 09.00
    Giving Hedonism a Second (and Proper) Chance.

Hofmann, Stefan (University of Tübingen/Germany)   Wed, Room G, 11.00
    Richard Brandt's Rule Utilitarianism: Replies to the Demandingness
    Objection.

Jensen, Karsten K. (Umeå University/Sweden)   Thu, Room B, 09.45
    Weak Superiority, Imprecise Equality and the Repugnant Conclusion.

Kahn, Leonard (Loyola University New Orleans/USA)   Tue, Room C, 16.00
    Abortion and Act-Utilitarianism.

Klusek, Michal (Jagiellonian University in Cracow/Poland)   Tue, Room G, 11.00
    Nudging for the Most Good – Comments on Effective Altruism and
    the Identifiability Effect.

Kowalczyk, Kacper (University of Oxford/UK)   Tue, Room A, 16.45
    Extrinsic Identity, Intrinsic Value.

Kynast, Ian (Tübingen University/Germany)   Wed, Room F, 16.45
    Possible Worlds Argument for the Equivalence of Act- and Rule
    Utilitarianism, and More.

Lanius, David (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology/Germany)   Tue, Room B, 11.00
    A Systematic Flaw in the Classical Arguments against Traditional
    Hedonism.

Lanman, Emily (Edith Cowan University/Australia)   Tue, Room G, 14.00
    Utilitarianism and the English Poor Law Reform 1832-1837.

Li, Cheng (University of York/UK)   Wed, Room F, 09.00
    Samuel Romilly's Role in Jeremy Bentham's Legislative Career.

Lieberman, David (University of California, Berkeley/USA)   Thu, Room B, 11.45
    Jeremy Bentham on Equality and Democracy.

Loizides, Antis (University of Cyprus/Cyprus)   Tue, Room C, 14.45
    James Mill's Sources on Progress and Civilization:
    A Study of The History of British India.

Lumer, Christoph (University of Siena/Italy)   Wed, Room G, 09.45
    From Utilitarianism to Prioritarianism – an Empathy-Based
    Internalist Foundation of Welfare.

Lythe, Peter (University College London/UK)   Wed, Room F, 09.45
    The Evidence of Things Not Seen: Jeremy Bentham on
    the Edifice and Artifice of the Church of England.

Macleod, Christopher (University of Lancaster/UK)   Wed, Room D, 16.45
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Mantel, Susanne (Saarland University/Germany)   Thu, Room G, 09.00
    The Reasons of Objective Consequentialism and
    Collective Action Problems.

Mathon, Vincent-Emmanuel (VEMconsulting/Luxembourg)   Tue, Room G, 16.45
    A Shell Game Theory, for a Green Crypto-Currency.

McCabe, Helen (University of Nottingham/UK)   Tue, Room G, 14.45
    'Civil and Domestic Slavery': Using the Early 19th-Century Utilitarian
    Assessment of Marriage as a Form of Slavery to Make Progress
    Towards Ending Modern Slavery and Forced Marriage.

Miguel, Ricardo (Universidade de Lisboa/Portugal)   Thu, Room E, 14.00
    Against Animal Replaceability: A Restriction on Consequences.

Miller, Dale (Old Dominion University/USA)   Tue, Room C, 16.45
    Rule Consequentialism and Climate Change.

Mixon, Rex (New York University/USA)   Wed, Room C, 14.00
    "What Else Is It That Should Trace the Insuperable Line?":
    Bentham's Theory of Value and Moral Duty.

Mulgan, Tim (University of St Andrews/UK)   Wed, Room E, 14.00
    What Exactly is Wrong with Human Extinction?

Murata, Minami (Doshisha University/Japan)   Thu, Room D, 14.00
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    Democratic Progress.

Oesterheld, Caspar (Foundational Research Institute/Germany)   Thu, Room B, 14.45
    Newcomb's Problem, the Prisoner's Dilemma and Large
    Universes – a Consideration for Consequentialists.

Okazaki, Ryu (Humboldt University/Germany)   Wed, Room C, 09.00
    Hegels Begriff der Nützlichkeit. Zum Zusammenhang von
    Nützlichkeit, Religionskritik und Terror.

Oshitani, Ken (Waseda University/Japan)   Thu, Room G, 11.45
    The Varieties of Contractualism and the Authority of Morality.

Paez, Eze (University of Minho/Portugal)   Thu, Room E, 14.45
    The Unimportance of Species on Rule-Consequentialism.

Persson, Ingmar (University of Gothenburg/Sweden)   Thu, Room C, 16.00
    Parfit's Reorientation: From Revisionism to Conciliationalism.

Peterson, Martin (Texas A&M University/USA)   Wed, Room A, 16.45
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Plant, Michael (University of Oxford/UK)   Tue, Room G, 11.45
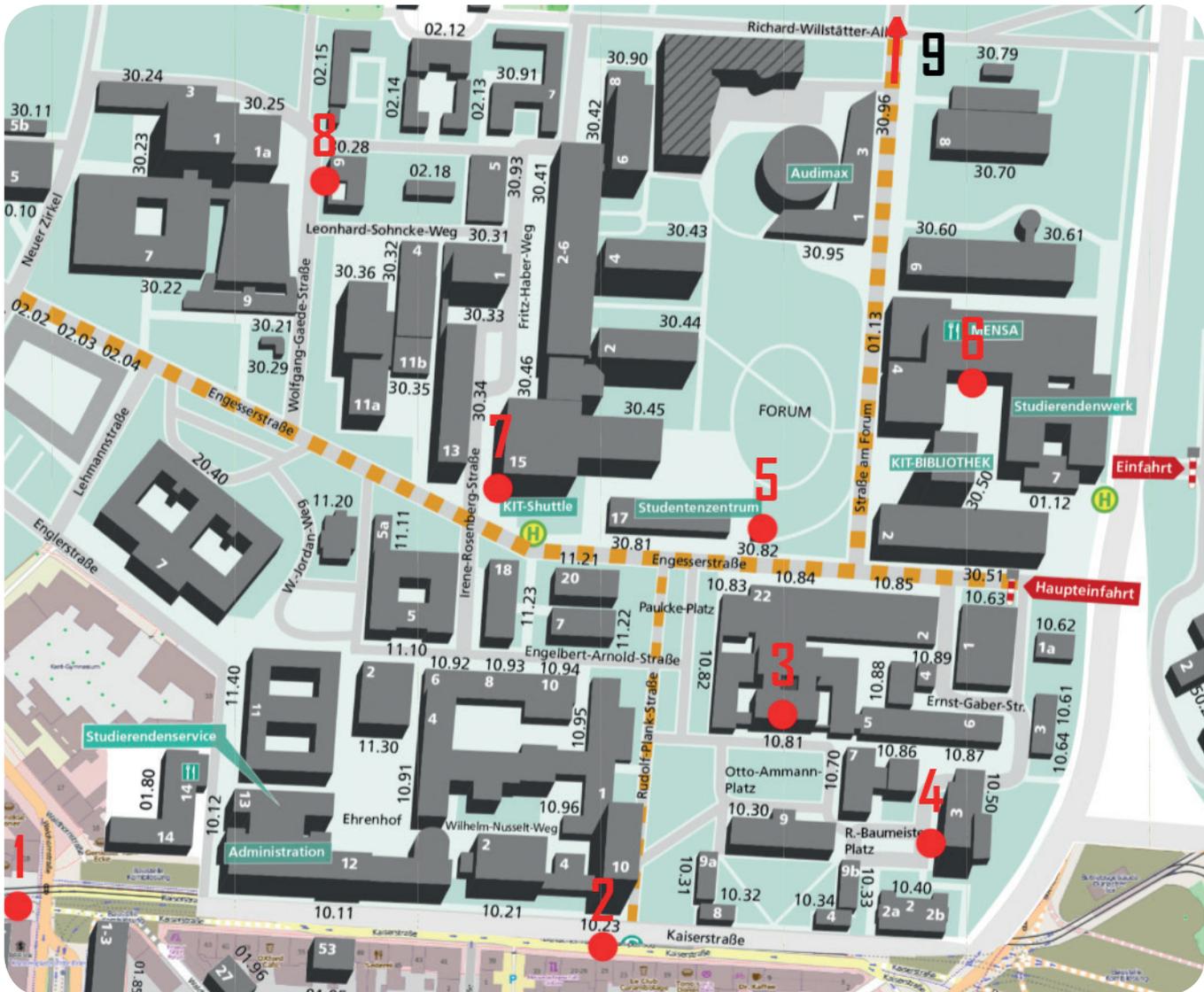   *Maximising World Happiness: What Should We Do?*

Quinn, Malcolm (University College London/UK) — Thu, Room C, 14.00
Bentham and the Arts: New Directions.

Rocché, Giuseppe (University of Palermo/Italy) — Wed, Room E, 11.45
About the Badness of Coming into Existence and Extinction.

Rodriguez Lopez, Blanca (Universidad Complutense de Madrid/Spain) — Wed, Room G, 16.00
Prenatal Enhancement: Social Pressure and Coercion.

Rosenqvist, Simon (Uppsala University/Sweden) — Thu, Room G, 09.45
Utilitarianism and Action Guidance.

Rüger, Korbinian (University of Oxford/UK) — Wed, Room E, 11.00
Individual Claims and Population Ethics.

Schofield, Philip (University College London/UK) — Wed, Room C, 14.45
Loving and Killing Children: Jeremy Bentham on Adult-Child Sex and Infanticide.

Segawa, Shingo (Münster University/Germany) — Wed, Room G, 16.45
Ist der Personenbegriff wirklich überflüssig für die biomedizinische Ethik?

Shriver, Adam (University of Oxford/UK) — Tue, Room B, 11.45
Is Hedonism a Version of Axiological Monism?

Song, Fei (The University of Hong Kong/China) — Wed, Room F, 16.00
Act versus Rule Utilitarianism: A Critical Review of John Harsanyi's Coordination Argument.

Southan, Rhys (University of Oxford/UK) — Wed, Room F, 14.00
Experience Machines, Not Nursing Homes.

Speith, Timo & Baum, Kevin (Saarland University/Germany) — Thu, Room G, 14.00
Should Utilitarians Recommend Non-Consequentialist Autonomous Vehicles?

Sverdlik, Steven (Southern Methodist University/USA) — Wed, Room F, 11.45
Bentham on Temptation and Deterrence.

Tachibana, Koji (Kumamoto University/Japan) — Thu, Room A, 09.45
Neurofeedback-Based Moral Enhancement and Moral Reason.

Tarantino, Piero (Sciences Po Law School/France) — Wed, Room C, 16.45
As If It Were True': Bentham's Theory of Real and Fictitious Entities.

Tarsney, Christian (University of Groningen/Netherlands) — Tue, Room A, 14.00
Non-Identity, Times Infinity.

Thomson, Klem (Roskilde University/Denmark) — Tue, Room G, 16.00
The Badness of Surveillance.

Treutlein, Johannes (Foundational Research Institute/Germany) — Thu, Room G, 14.45
Global Consequentialism for Machines.

Turner, Piers (The Ohio State University/USA) — Tue, Room C, 09.45
Is Mill a Luck Egalitarian?

Ueno, Hiroki (Hitotsubashi University/Japan) — Tue, Room C, 11.00
The Relationship Between the Principles of Utility and Justice in the Theory of Moral Sentiments: Does Adam Smith's Moral Theory Truly Stand Against Humean Utilitarianism?

Unruh, Charlotte (University of Southampton/UK) — Wed, Room G, 09.00
Letting the Climate Change.

Van Basshuysen, Philippe (London School of Economics/UK) — Tue, Room A, 11.45
The Repugnant Conclusion and Measuring Well-Being in Possible Populations.

Višak, Tatjana (Goethe University Frankfurt/Germany) — Wed, Room E, 9.00
New Arguments for Existential Benefits and Harms.

Weibel, Peter (ZKM Karlsruhe/Germany)   Thu, Room C, 14.45
    Constitutional Code - The Heart of Fiction.

Wigglesworth, Logan (Rice University/USA)   Wed, Room D, 09.45
    A Finer Measure for Higher Pleasure.

Wilkinson, Hayden (The Australian National University)   Tue, Room A, 14.45
    Infinite, Invariant, Impartial Consequentialism.

Woodard, Christopher (University of Nottingham/UK)   Thu, Room D, 09.00
    Utilitarianism and Legitimacy.

Yamazaki, Satoshi (Kochi University/Japan)   Tue, Room E, 11.45
    The Possibility of Indirect Utilitarian Strategy in Pigou's
    Welfare Economics.

Zhang, Sisheng (Universitat Pompeu Fabra/Spain)   Thu, Room G, 11.00
    If You're an Egalitarian, How Come You Like Lotteries?

Zimmerman, Michael (University of North Carolina at Greensboro/USA)   Wed, Room C, 11.45
    Willful Ignorance and Moral Responsibility.

Zinke, Alexandra (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology/Germany)   Wed, Room D, 11.00
    Two Ways to Maximize Preference Satisfaction.

Zoglauer, Thomas (BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg/Germany)   Tue, Room F, 11.00
    Gambling with Technological Risks: a Case of Dirty Hands?

Zuradski, Tomasz (Jagiellonian University/Poland)   Thu, Room B, 9.00
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The Panopticon Dinner

The building circular—the cells occupying the circumference—the keepers, &c.—the centre—an intermediate annular well all the way up, crowned by a sky-light usually open, […] —the cells, laid open to it by an iron grating. […] By blinds and other contrivances, the keeper concealed from the observation of the prisoners, unless where he thinks fit to show himself.
— Jeremy Bentham

The Panopticon Dinner will take place at the one of Europe's most renowned institutions for contemporary and digital arts, the ZKM Center for Art and Media. In this extraordinary event, you will have the chance to dine in a futuristic interpretation of Jeremy Bentham's Panopticon prison. Together with media artist Daniel Heiss, we created a technologically elaborate installation, reimagining the concept of a prison with no visible guards.
You will be offered a delicious vegan buffet, based on „Prison Cooking - A Collection of Utilitarian Recipes", a cookbook that Bentham himself devised. We hope you will have a very special and enjoyable experience!

The ZKM center for Art and Media houses two museums, three research institutes as well as a media center. We recommend taking some time to visit the free exhibition "Open Codes – Living in Digital Worlds". There will be two guided tours in english language on Thursday, 17:30 to 18:30 for you.

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