



Central European University (CEU) Department of Philosophy presents:

## DEHUMANIZATION: NEW APPROACHES TO UNDERSTANDING THE POLITICS OF HUMAN NATURE

6-8 April 2016

Venue: Vera & Donald Blinken Open Society Archives 1051 Budapest, Arany János u. 32.

### PROGRAM

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 06**      **Theme: Contexts of Dehumanization**      Chair: Maria Kronfeldner

13:00-13:30 Welcome and Introduction – **Maria Kronfeldner** (CEU, Organizer) and **András Mink** (Open Society Archive)

13:30-14:15 18th Century and the Concept of 'Wild' in Europe – **Carla Lessing** (National University of Ireland)

14:15-15:00 Philosophical Anthropology in Nazi Germany – **Johannes Steizinger** (University of Vienna)

*Coffee break*

15:30-16:15 The Human Beast: The American Search for Human Nature during the Cold War – **Erika Milam** (Princeton University)

16:15-17:00 Attempts to Make Dehumanization Visible – **Lukas Einsele** (Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts)

*Snack break (for speakers and local contributors only)*

18:00-20:15 Film Screening: "Enjoy Poverty" (by Renzo Martens, 90 min), followed by discussion with artists **Irina Botea** (CEU) and **Lukas Einsele** (Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts).  
Chair: Maria Kronfeldner

**THURSDAY, APR 07**      **Theme: Contexts of Dehumanization**      Chair: Caglan Dilek (CEU)

09:45-10:30 Human Aliens on Display: 1850-1940 – **Guido Abbattista** (University of Trieste)

10:30-11:15 De Jure Dignity and De Facto Dehumanization of Asylum Seekers – **Magdalena Smieszek** (CEU)

*Coffee break*

11:45-12:30 Hate Crime and Hate Speech as Forms of Dehumanization – **Gerald Posselt** (University of Vienna)

12:30-13:15 Comments – **Laszlo Kontler** (CEU) and **Andres Moles** (CEU) and General Discussion

*Lunch break*

**Theme: The Social Psychology of Dehumanization**      Chair: Olesya Bondarenko (CEU)

14:30-15:15 Varieties of Dehumanization: A Psychological Overview – **Nick Haslam** (University of Melbourne)

15:15-16:00 Objectification: Determinants and Measurements – **Friederike Eyssel** (Bielefeld University)

*Coffee break*

16:30-17:15 The Automatic Dehumanization of Refugees: Causes and Consequences – **Victoria Esses** (University of Western Ontario)

17:15-18:00 Dehumanization and Moral Standing – **Edouard Machery** (University of Pittsburgh)

18:00-18:45 Comments – **Prem Rajaram** (CEU) and **Hyaesin Yoon** (CEU) and General Discussion

*Conference dinner*

**FRIDAY, APR 08**      **Theme: Debating Conceptual Intricacies**      Chair: Zsófia Gode (CEU)

09:45-10:30 Appraisal of People as Dehumanization – **Eyja M. Brynjarsdóttir & Gunnar Sigvaldason** (University of Iceland)

10:30-11:15 Dehumanisation as the Wrong of Social Injustice – **Mari Mikkola** (Humboldt University)

*Coffee break*

11:45-12:30 Metaphysical Boundary Policing – **David Livingstone Smith** (University of New England)

12:30-13:15 Comments – **Andres Moles** (CEU) and **Simon Rippon** (CEU) and General Discussion

13:15-13:45 **Summary and Outlook:** Art Slam on Dehumanization – **Peter Molnar** (CEU) and a Map for the Future Directions towards Understanding Dehumanization – **Maria Kronfeldner**

**Information:** <http://philosophy.ceu.edu/dehumanization>

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