Coordination, norms, and group action

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Are there such things as group actions, group goals, and group cognition? If so, what is their relation to individual goals and actions? Traditional views of collective intentionality emphasise the role played by goals and actions of individuals and how these are aggregated in some way to produce coherent goal-directed action by the group. This workshop focuses on alternative accounts that do not make high cognitive demands on individuals. For example, accounts that give importance to social norms and conventions, the emergence of group goals, and coordination of individuals through external traces of the actions of others.

09:15 - 09:30 Registration
09:30 - 09:40 Welcome
09:40 - 10:40 Keynote by Glenda Satne (Wollongong)
Varieties of collective activity
10:40 - 11:20 Ludger van Dijk (Antwerpen)
The medium of practice: direct perception in the midst of normativity
11:40 - 12:20 Frank Hindriks (Groningen)
Break

13:00 - 13:40 Marc Slors (Nijmegen)
Collective Intentionality, conventionality and non-reductive group agency
13:40 - 14:20 Ric Sims (Exeter/Independent)
The coordinated systems approach - a dual-process model of minimal group cognition
14:20 - 15:00 Julian Kiverstein (Amsterdam)
Break

15:30 - 16:10 Matej Drobnak (Prague/Nijmegen)
Carnapian Communication and the Holy Grail of Evolutionary Pragmatics
16:10 - 17:10 Keynote by Sabrina Coninx (Free University, Amsterdam) and Julia Wolf (Bochum)
Pluralism – From Individuals to Groups
17:10 - 17:20 Wrapping up

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