**Issues of Recognition in Pragmatism and American Transcendentalism**

**PROGRAMME**

Wed 16 – Fri 18 December 2015, University of Helsinki
Faculty Hall, Faculty of Theology

► Co-organized by: Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (Stockholm Office), Kyoto University, SPIRITS International Project “Philosophy as Translation and Understanding Other Cultures” (Kyoto University), The Centre of Excellence *Reason and Religious Recognition* (Academy of Finland, University of Helsinki, Faculty of Theology), Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies

The event is open for everyone, no registration required.

**Wednesday 16 December**

13:15 – 13:45 Welcoming:

**Risto Saarinen** (CoE, *University of Helsinki*)

**Sami Pihlström** (CoE, *University of Helsinki*)

**Junichi Mori** (*Kyoto University*)

13:45 – 14:00 **Yuriko Kawakubo** (*JSPS Stockholm Office*)

14:00 – 14:15 **Junichi Mori & Jeremy Rappleye** (for Naoko Saito) (*Kyoto University*)

Introduction to the SPIRIT project, Philosophy as Translation and Understanding Other Cultures.

14:15 – 14:30 **Coffee**

14:30 – 15:15 **Risto Saarinen** (*University of Helsinki*) Recognition in Contemporary Scandinavian Fiction: Jonas Gardell and Jussi Valtonen

15:15 – 16:00 **Sari Kivistö** (*Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies*) & **Sami Pihlström** (*University of Helsinki*)

Theodicy as a Failure of Recognition

16:00 – 16:15 **Break**

16:15 – 17:00 **Paul Standish** (*UCL Institute of Education*) Recognition and Acknowledgement

**Thursday 17 December**

10:15 – 11:00 **Heikki J. Koskinen** (*University of Helsinki*) On a Trilateral Notion of Mediated Recognition

11:00 – 11:45 **Beate Bengard** (*Universität Leipzig*) Recognition and Reception in the Ecumenical Hermeneutics of Paul Ricoeur

11:45 – 12:30 **Aku Visala** (*University of Helsinki*) Tolerance or Recognition? Some Critical Perspectives

12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 14:45 **Áine Mahon** (*University College Dublin*) On Recognising the Sincere: Fiction and Philosophy in Contemporary America
14:45 – 15:30 Sigridur Thorgeirsdottir (University of Iceland) TBA

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee

16:00 – 16:45 Keiko Matsui Gibson (Kanda Gaigo University) Reconceptualizing Human Dignity from Pragmatist Perspectives: Lived Experiences of Uncertainty and Normativity in Literary Texts

16:45 – 17:30 Nobuo Kazashi (Kobe University) For Life and Peace: the Trajectory of the “New Woman” in Modern Japan – Emerson and Ellen Key in Raichō Hiratsuka

Friday 18 December
Dialogue between the COE, University of Helsinki “Reason and Recognition” and the SPIRITS Project, Kyoto University, “Philosophy as Translation and Understanding Other Cultures”

Paul Standish (Chair)

10:00 – 12:00 Session I. Dewey, Thoreau and Ranciere
Minako Saigo (Kyoto University) John Dewey’s Faith in Democracy: The Religious as a Function of Experience
Jeremy Rappleye (Kyoto University) Ways of Opening to the Other: Lessons in the Language of Dewey and Thoreau?
Nami Fujimoto (Kyoto University) Recognition by Whom?: Exploring Political Subjects with Meira Levinson and Jacques Rancière

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 15:30 Session II. Levinas, Derrida and Benjamin
Kensuke Asai (Kyoto University) Recognition of the Other and Translation as Redemption: From the Perspective of Walter Benjamin's Language Philosophy
Zhu Ye (Kyoto University) The Resistance of the Other against Presence: The Difference about Language between Derrida and Levinas
Panu-Matti Pöykkö (University of Helsinki) 'Justice Itself is Born of Love': Levinas on the Transcendental Ground of Justice

15:30-16:00 Coffee

Sami Pihlström (Chair)

16:00 – 17:20 Session III. Cavell and Emerson
Heikki A. Kovalainen (University of Tampere) Recognition and Acknowledgement: Comparative Remarks on Cavell and Laitinen
Kazuma Sogabe (Kyoto University) Recognition and Minorities: Stanley Cavell and "Emersonian Moral Perfectionism"

17:20 – 17:30 Conclusion

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