

Workshop

Early Modern Laws of Nature: Secular and Divine

The workshop is co-organised by the Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion, University of Oxford (Dr Ignacio Silva), and the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Groningen (Dr Andrea Sangiacomo).

Keynote speakers

Prof Eric Watkins (University of San Diego, US)

Prof Sophie Roux (École Normale Supérieure, Paris)

Date and venue

Thursday 7 July 2016, 9:30AM - 5:30PM

Faculty of Theology and Religion
University of Oxford, Gibson Building
Radcliffe Observatory Quarter
Woodstock Road
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Timetable

09.30-10.10: Ignacio Silva (Oxford, UK)

Pre-Cartesian Discussions on the Laws of Nature and the Real Presence

10.10-10.50: Nazif Muhtaroglu (Bogazici, Turkey)

The Islamic Background of Descartes's Laws of Nature

10.50-11.00: Coffee Break

11.00-11.40: Nathan Rockwood (Virginia Tech, US)

A Cartesian View of Natural Necessity

11.40-12.20: Marine Picon (ENS Lyon, France)

***Potentia Absoluta, Potentia Ordinata* and the Laws of Nature in Leibniz**

12.20-13.30: Keynote Sophie Roux (ENS Paris, France)

Laws of Nature: Words, Concepts, Things

13.30-14.30: Lunch Break

14.30-15.10: Sergio H. Orozco-Echeverri (Edinburgh, UK)

Laws of Nature, Secondary Causation and Providence in Newton and Barrow

15.10-15.50: Jonathan Head (Keele, UK)

Kant on God and the Laws of Nature in the 1750s

15.50-16.30: Andrea Sangiacomo (Groningen, Netherlands)

Sine Qua Non* Causation: The Legacy of Occasionalism in Kant's *New Elucidation

16.30-16.50: Coffee Break

16.50-18.00: Keynote Eric Watkins (San Diego, US)

Kant on Laws

18.30-21.00: Dinner