

International Conference

Brentano – Comte – Mill. The Idea of Philosophy and Psychology as Science

**Institute for Philosophy "Alexandru Dragomir" in collaboration with the
Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest**

September 27-28, 2018

Day 1: Thursday, 27 September

Conference Venue: Faculty of Philosophy (Splaiul Independenței 204)

10:00-10:15 Welcome address by Constantin Stoenescu and Ion Tănăsescu

10:15-11:15 Plenary lecture: Michel Bourdeau, *Comte on Psychology: the Criticism of
«Inner Observation» and the Constitution of a «Systematic View of the Soul»*

11:15-12:15 Plenary lecture: Denis Fiset, *The Background of Brentano's Philosophical
Program and Its Debt to Early Positivism*

12:15-12:30 Coffee break

12:30-13:10 Ion Tănăsescu: *Brentano's Early Writings and His Contribution to Positive
Philosophy*

13:10-13:50 Emanuele Mariani: *A Brentanian Look at History. The Four Phases of
Philosophy Theoretically Reconsidered*

13:50-14:30 Bianca Savu: *Reinterpreting Comte Through Brentano's Notion of Decline. A
Comparative Analysis*

14:30-16:30 Lunch break

16:30-17:10 Guillaume Fréchette: *Philosophy as a Speculative and Exact Science:
Brentano's Weltanschauung*

17:10-17:50 Wolfgang Huemer: *Brentano's Conception of Science*

17:50-18:05 Coffee break

18:05-18:45 Thomas Binder: *The Franz Brentano-Institute in Oxford*

Day 2: Friday, 28 September

Conference Venue: Faculty of Philosophy (Splaiul Independenței 204)

10:00-11:00 Plenary lecture: Christopher Macleod: *The Relation of Philosophy and Psychology in the Work of J.S. Mill*

11:00-11:40 Cyril McDonnell: *Scientific and Unscientific Methods in Empirical Psychology: Brentano's Dispute and Critique of Comte, Mill and Maudsely's Accounts of Inner Perception*

11:40-12:20 Andreea Eșanu: *Franz Brentano's Multifaceted View of Psychological Induction: from Bain and Mill's Empiricist Induction to Statistical Inference and Intuitive Induction*

12:20-12:35 Coffee break

12:35-13:15 Carlo Ierna: *Brentano's Mathematical Foundation of Science and his Critique of Comte and Mill*

13:15-13:55 Hynek Janousek: *Brentano's Foundation of Ethics and Mill's Utilitarianism*

13:55-16:00 Lunch break

16:00-16:40 Constantin Stoenescu: *Was Brentano in Psychology from an Empirical Standpoint a Silent Follower of Mill's Phenomenalism?*

16:40-17:20 Witold Płotka: *The Controversies over Descriptive Psychology in the School of Twardowski: On the Brentanian Heritage in the Early Phenomenology in Poland*

17:20-17:35 Coffee break

17:35-18:15 Alexandru Bejinariu: *Descriptive and Intentional Content. Considerations on Husserl's Logical Investigations from Brentano's Empirical Point of View*

18:15-18:55 Iulian Apostolescu: *Husserl's Critique of Brentanist Psychology in the Appendix to the Logical Investigations*