

11th Villa Lanna Meeting
January 16-18, 2009
"The Role of Anthropocentrism in Science"

Program

Saturday:

Morning session (9.00 – 13.00):

"Concept of Anthropocentrism"

Moderator: Rolf Probala

9.00: Opening by the moderator

9.15: Gerd Folkers – "Roadside Picnic. From Anthropocentrism to Anthropomorphism, an Attitude for Human Survival, or How to Make you Feel at Home in the Universe"

9.30: Vladimír Pliška – "Contest of Species for Securing Existence and Living Conditions: a Biologic View on Anthropocentrism"

9.45: Ivan M. Havel – "Anthropocentrism"

10.00: Discussion

11.00: Coffee-break

"Man in Philosophy and Medicine"

Moderator: Petr Kouba

11.15: Martin Boyer – "Man in the Context of Science and Technology"

11.30: Miroslav Petříček – "Hidden Tradition of Medical Knowledge"

11.45: Discussion

13.00: Lunch

Afternoon session (14.30 – 18.00):

"What is Actually Human?"

Moderator: Elvan Kut

14.30: Johannes Fehr – "Washoe, Koko, Sarah, Nim Chimsky & Co. Close encounters of what kind?"

14.45: Amrei Wittwer – "Science that Dilutes Anthropocentrism Particular Human Attributes and Other Species"

15.00: Discussion

16.00: Coffee-break

"Anthropocentrism in Biology and Ecology"

Moderator: Alex N. Eberle

16.15: Alex N. Eberle – "Introduction to Anthroopocentrism in Biological Research"

16.30: Marek Vácha – “Anthropocentrism in Ecology and Environmental Ethics”
16.45: David Storch – “Anthropocentrism and Anthropomorphism in (Evolutionary) Biology”
17.00: Discussion

18.00: Dinner

Sunday (9.00 – 13.00):

“Anthropocentrism in Mathematics and Physics”

Moderator: Ivan M. Havel

9.00: Jaroslav Nešetřil – “Anthropogeometry”

9.15: Kateřina Trlifajová – “Anthropocentrism: its Expulsion from Mathematics and Marks of its Comeback in the 20th Century”

9.30: Jiří Langer – “Anthropic Principle in Physics and Cosmology”

9.45: Discussion

10.45: Coffee-break

“General Reflections and Summary”

Moderator: Rolf Prohala

11.00: Discussion

13.00: Lunch