



The Tree of Knowledge

Theories of Sciences and Arts in Central Europe, 1400-1700

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

Thursday | 28 May

I. Morning session

Venue: Faculty of "Artes Liberales", Nowy Świat 69, staircase B, 4th floor, conference room

10:00–10:15 Official welcome

10:15–11:45 Panel 1: *Space, Objects and Production of Knowledge*

Chair: Simon Burton (University of Warsaw)

Susanne Beiweis (University of Vienna), *Magical Objects as Instruments of Knowledge in Marsilio Ficino's De vita*

Yanan Qizhi (Pennsylvania State University), *Spectacular Knowledge: The Use of Theatrical Spaces in Early Modern
Kunstkammer*

11:45–12:15 Coffee break

12:15–13:45 Panel 2: *On the Concept of Method*

Chair: Wojciech Ryczek (Jagiellonian University, Kraków)

Sandra Bihlmaier (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology), *Melanchthon's Concept of Method and its Conversion to
Ramism: A Late Sixteenth Century Endeavor*

Daniel Heider (University of South Bohemia), *The Notitia Intuitiva and Notitia Abstractiva of the External
Senses in Second Scholasticism: Suárez, Poinsot and Francisco de Oviedo*

13:45–15:00 Lunch break

II. Afternoon session

Venue: Faculty of "Artes Liberales", Dobra 72, floor -1, conference room

15:00–16:30 Panel 3: *Between Ramism and Anti-Ramism: Bartholomaeus Keckermann and his Thought*

Chair: Michał Choptiany (University of Warsaw)

Stefan Heßbrüggen (Higher School of Economics, Moscow), *Keckermann on Studying History Philosophically*

Wojciech Ryczek (Jagiellonian University, Kraków), *Lectio difficilior: Keckermann on Allegory*

16:30–17:00 Coffee break

17:00–18:30 Panel 4: *Theories of Knowledge in Practice*

Chair: Stefan Heßbrüggen (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

Lucie Storchová (Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague), *Paginarium for School Needs: Reception of Ramism at the University of Prague after 1600*

Michał Choptiany (University of Warsaw), *Danzig readers of Ramus and Ramists: Keckermann & Co.*

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III. Morning session

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9:00–10:30 Panel 5: *Method and Epistemology*

Chair: Susanne Beiweis (University of Vienna)

Matthias Mangold (Evangelical Theological Faculty, Leuven), *Lux et testimonium Dei in hominis mente: The Concept of Conscience and its Formative Role in the Cartesian Epistemology of Johannes Braun (1628–1708)*

Andrea Strazzoni (Erasmus University, Rotterdam), *The Hidden Presence of Ramism in Early Modern Dutch Philosophy*

10:30–11:00 Coffee break

11:00–13:00 Panel 6: *Method and Metaphysics – A Longue Durée?*

Chair: Daniel Heider (University of South Bohemia)

Simon Burton (University of Warsaw), *Scholastic Realism and the Transcendentals: The Influence of Julius Caesar Scaliger on Early Modern Ramism*

Audrey Borowski (University College London), *Leibniz’s Mathematico-Ontological Method: Transfiguring the Infinite into the Finite*

Hayo Siemsen (University of Applied Sciences, Saarbrücken), *The Long-Term Empirical Relevance of Ramus’ Ideas: Comenius, Mach and Genetic Education*

13:00–14:00 Roundtable discussion

Chairs: Simon Burton & Michał Choptiany (University of Warsaw)

“Ye shall know them by their fruits”: Research Perspectives on Medieval and Early Modern Sciences and Arts