

School of Political Science & Sociology PhD Community Events

Tuesday, March 26

10:30 Aras Moyola, MY 225

Welcome and Introduction by Dr. Alexander I. Stingl (PGR Director Soc&Pol) and Dr. Su-Ming Khoo (Head of Discipline Sociology)

11:00 - 13:00, Aras Moyola, MY 225

Talk on The sociology of 'scientific styles' by Matteo Vagelli

14:30 – 16:30 THB-G010 Moore Institute Seminar Room

Workshop "The Marie Curie Fellowship from first idea to proposal to managing the grant's nuts and bolts". A workshop for PhD candidates, early career researchers, and potential MSC supervisors with Matteo Vagelli

Speaker: Dr. Matteo Vagelli is a post-doctoral fellow at University of Venice, Department of Philosophy and Cultural Heritage and Harvard University, History of Science Department, conducting research for his project EPISTYLE, funded under Marie Skłodowska-Curie Global Fellowship Program.

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sociology of 'scientific styles', from Fleck The idea of science as being composed by a plurality of different 'styles' of inquiry and experimentation has persisted throughout the twentieth century. In the last decades of the century, it played a key role in pluralist accounts of scientific knowledge and practices by historians and philosophers of science, most notably by Ian Hacking (1936-2023). However, the most important previous iteration of the project of thinking about science in 'stylistic' terms is by the sociology of knowledge of the 1930s, particularly by the physician, biologist, and epistemologist Ludwik Fleck (1896-1961). More contemporary adaptations of Fleck's ideas, for instance, in the framework of Bruno Latour's (1947-2022) works, have sometimes led to constructivist and relativist claims that ultimately undermine science and its assumptions about objectivity and progressiveness. Is this a necessary consequence of a sociology of scientific styles?"

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The Marie-Skłodowska-Curie Global Fellowship Program under the European Commission Horizon is one of the most prestigious yet also most competitive research fellowships for early career researchers. Many academics see it as the closest a young researcher can get to a Golden Ticket into a permanent post. One of the international most promising early-to-mid career scholars in the field of epistemology, philosophy of science, and history of ideas, Dr. Vagelli who held several prestigious early career posts on both sides of the Atlantic,, is currently completing his final year as a Marie Curie fellow. in this workshop, Matteo will not simply talk about the fellowship and the proposal process, but more importantly, he will address what career steps and skill acquisition PhD students could integrate into their PhD journey from start to finish to be ready to apply for and manage a fellowship and early career grant. He will also address "the myth or reality of the Golden Ticket" of the Marie Curie Fellowship, as well as provide useful information on the training activities for potential fellowship supervisors. Along the way, Dr. Vagelli will reflect on his experiences with international partner organizations and scholars in Paris, Chicago, Berlin, and Frankfurt, allowing for realistic a picture of both the adventures and the headaches of the career path of the international researcher.