

LUDWIK FLECK IN DISCUSSION

Science, society and pluralism

Thursday April 23 2026

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This workshop brings together recent work on **Ludwik Fleck** (1896-1961) to reassess the epistemological significance of his account of thought collectives and styles of thinking. By examining Fleck's reception and legacy, the event aims to clarify his place in historically and sociologically informed philosophy of science and its relevance for contemporary debates on scientific pluralism.

Chair: **Matteo Vagelli**

Comments by: **Pietro Daniel Omodeo** and **Claus Zittel** (Ca' Foscari University of Venice)

15.00 (CEST, Venice time)

Guillermo Címbora Acosta (University of Seville)

Reconsidering Fleck's Epistemology: From Sociological Reductionism to Pluralistic Historicism

15.45 (CEST, Venice time)

Miguel de la Riva (University of Vienna)

Habent Sua Fata Libelli: On the Reception of Ludwik Fleck's Genesis and Development of a Scientific Fact (1935)

16.45 (CEST, Venice time)

Melinda Fagan (University of Utah) - online

Fleck and the Pragmatists

17.30 (CEST, Venice time)

Anna Zielinska (University of Lorraine)

Ludwik Fleck on Democracy and Objectivity in Sciences

18.15 (CEST, Venice time)

General discussion

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