

**Scientific and Didactic Relation**

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Cycle – 34<sup>th</sup>

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(A) *Didactics*

1) List of institutional or curricular courses:

- October-December 2019: Module of *Philosophy of Law* (topic: moral and legal responsibility), Dr. C. Cowley, University College Dublin
  - January – March 2020: Module of *Philosophy of Autobiography* (some of the topics: fate and identity, responsibility for the past, self-constitution, regret and luck), Dr. C. Cowley, University College Dublin
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(B) *Research and diffusion*

1) List of seminars and conferences you have participated to:

- Seminar: *National Sovereignty and the Peoples' Right to Self-Determination: Kant and the Law of Peoples* (University College Dublin, 10/10/2019), prof. C.F. von Villiez (University of Bergen)
- Public Lecture: *The Work Ethic: Its Origins, Legacy, and Future*, (University College Dublin, 21/10/2019), prof. Elizabeth Anderson
- Seminar: *Socratic Self-Knowledge and the Concept of the Human Self: From Phenomenology to Metaphysics and Back again* (University College Dublin, 24/10/2019), prof. Ursula Renz (University of Klagenfurt)
- Seminar: *Leibniz on Moral Instincts* (University College Dublin, 21/11/2019), prof. Julia Borcharding (University of Cambridge)
- Conference: *William Molyneux of Dublin (1656-1698): Life, Work, Legacy* (St. Audoen's Church, Dublin, 23/11/2019)
- Conference: *Leggi e regole. Universi ordinati nella filosofia di Kant – Convegno triennale della Società Italiana di Studi Kantiani* (Pavia, 19-20/12/2019)
- Seminar: *Seminario di storia della filosofia* (Torino, 10/02/2020 – Ongoing)
- Seminar: *T. White and T. Hobbes on Identity over Time*, (Trinity College Dublin, 8/2/2020), prof. H.T. Adriaenssen (University of Groningen)

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- Seminar: Hegel's Conception of Personal Difference (University College Dublin, 20/02/2020), Dr. Teresa Matejčková (Czech Academy of Sciences)
- WiP (Work in Progress) series of talks among PhD candidates (University College Dublin-Trinity College Dublin, October 2019-March 2020)

### 2) List of Talks

- 16-17 September 2019: 4<sup>th</sup> Graduate Conference in the History of Philosophy – *Platonism and Aristotelianism in the History of Philosophy* (University of Pavia). Title of the presentation: *Aristotle and Locke on Moral Responsibility. Is Constraint actually an excuse?*
- 28 February 2020: Workshop on Topics in Early Modern Moral Philosophy and Moral Psychology (University College Dublin, Dublin, organized by Dr. Ruth Boeker). Title of the presentation: *Moral Responsibility and Law of Reputation in Locke's Thought*
- 10-12 June 2020: The 2020 *John Locke Society* Conference (Naples, Italy) – postponed to 9-11 June 2021. Title of the presentation: *Praise, Blame and "Law of Reputation". Locke on Moral Responsibility*
- 2-3 September 2020: Congresso Nazionale Dottorati in Filosofia (Fondazione San Carlo, Modena [online]). Title of the presentation: *L'identità personale come condizione della responsabilità in John Locke*

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### (C) Project of the dissertation

#### 1) Update of the planning of your research program

During the past year I focused on two of the three topics which constitute the core of my thesis. The first deals with the role of the so-called "Law of reputation" in Locke's moral thought, and I worked on it mainly during the research period I spent at the University College Dublin (October 2019-March 2020), supervised by Dr. Ruth Boeker. I discussed the partial result of my study during the Workshop on Topics in Early Modern Moral Philosophy and Moral Psychology, organized by Dr. Ruth Boeker. Besides, the role of moral sanction in Locke's thought will be the subject of my presentation at the 2020 *John Locke Society* Conference, unfortunately postponed to June 2021.

The second issue I focused on in the second half of the year is Locke's concept of person and his theory of personal identity as based on consciousness, considered

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respectively as the subject of accountability and the condition of a just attribution of moral responsibility. This first condition of moral responsibility has been the main topic of the paper presented at the *Congresso Nazionale Dottorati Filosofia* and, above all, of the first chapter of the thesis.

Next year will be devoted to the study of Locke's second condition of the attribution of moral responsibility, namely freedom and voluntariness, and to a more thorough study of Locke's "law of reputation".