

**The Institute of Philosophy and Psychology “Constantin Rădulescu-Motru” – Romanian Academy**

Department of Epistemology and Ethics

**Tribute Colloquium to John Rawls**

**10 – 11 September 2021**

**Programme**

Celebrating the centenary of Rawls’ birth and the jubilee of his major work, *A Theory of Justice*, we are paying homage to one of the most important philosophers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, with remarkable contributions to political philosophy; a landmark for contemporary disputes over freedom, equality and justice setting at national level and in the society of nations.

Rawls’ positions on the definition of the justice and on the international liberal order continue to generate notable appreciation and harsh criticism. They are the best proof of the value of his ideas and their potential to be applied. The contributions to this colloquium are part in this lively exchange of ideas.

The colloquium is organized online for two days: September 10<sup>th</sup> (Friday) and September 11<sup>th</sup> (Saturday); its first section will be conducted in English, the others in Romanian. The presentations should take about 20 minutes followed by 10 minutes for discussions. The papers are to be sent for publication (in Romanian or English) in the EBSCO volume *Studii de epistemologie și de teorie a valorilor* until September 30, 2021 at [studiideepistemologie@gmail.com](mailto:studiideepistemologie@gmail.com).

## Day I. 10 September

10.15 Welcome Speech

10.30 - 11.30 Keynote Speech

Julian Stern, Bishop Grosseteste University, *Thank you, John*

11.30 – 14.00 Section I/Secțiunea I

*Moderator: Henrieta Șerban (IPPAR)*

Marian George Panait, (IPPAR), *Despre definiția și temeiul dreptății la Rawls/Rawls' Definition of and Ground for Justice*

Eric Gilder, PNGUoT/UNITECH, *Is Applied Human Justice Possible in a Meritocracy? A Comparison/Contrast of Answers from Rawls and Perelman*

Ian Browne, Independent Researcher, *Rawls, Public reason and Brexit*

Viorella Manolache, IPSIR, *John Rawls – Temperament Filosofico-Politic, Adânc Religios/John Rawls – A Philosophical-Political Temperament; Deeply Religious*

Henrieta A. Șerban, IPPAR, *Dreptatea ca echitate, un pragmatism principial / Justice as Fairness, a Principled Pragmatism*

14.00-15.00 Lunch break

15.00 – 17.30 Section II / Secțiunea a II-a

*Moderator: Marius Augustin Drăghici (IPPAR)*

Eugen Huzum, IESR, *Rawls – un gânditor irelevant?/Rawls – An Irrelevant Thinker?*

Marius Dobre, (IPPAR), *Câteva impresii cu privire la teoria dreptății a lui John Rawls/A Few Impressions Concerning John Rawls' Theory of Justice*

Gheorghe Dănișor, Independent Researcher, *Circularitatea demonstrației în constructivismul rawlsian/The Circularity of Demonstration in Rawlsian Constructivism*

Claudiu Baci, (IPPAR), *Rawls despre Hegel / Rawls on Hegel*

Pompiliu Alexandru, (VU), *Despre o limită epistemologică a dreptății. Rawls, societatea și individul / On an Epistemological Limit of Justice*

## **Day II. 11 September**

10.30 – 13.00 Section III/Secțiunea a III-a  
*Moderator: Marian George Panait (IPPAR)*

Sergiu Bălan, (IPPAR), *Dreptatea și egalitatea de șanse la Rawls /Justice and Equality of Opportunity in Rawls*

Dana Maria Diaconu, WUT, *Valoarea comprehensivă a conceptelor de “fair cooperation”, “overlapping consensus” și “enlightened self-interest” în teoria justiției a lui John Rawls/The Comprehensive Value of the Concepts of “Fair Cooperation”, “Overlapping Consensus” and “Enlightened Self-Interest” in the Theory of Justice of John Rawls*

Stuparu Lorena, IPSIR, *John Rawls în lectura lui Paul Ricoeur: Iubire și justiție/John Rawls in the reading of Paul Ricoeur: Love and Justice*

Mihai Popa, IPPAR, *John Rawls – teoria dreptății și valoarea vieții individului uman/John Rawls – The Theory of Justice and the Value of the Human Individual’s Life*

Gabriela Tănăsescu, IPSIR, *Michael Sandel și revizuirea teoriei rawlsiene a dreptății/Michael Sandel and the Revision of the Rawlsian Theory of Justice*

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break

14.00 – 16.15 Section IV / Secțiunea a IV-a  
*Moderator: Henrieta Șerban (IPPAR)*

Ovidiu Grama, IPPAR, *Despre multiplele roluri ale echilibrului reflectiv /On the Multiple Roles of Reflective Equilibrium*

Cristina Alexandru (PhD. Candidate IPPAR), *Teoria dreptății ca utopie. John Rawls și construcția imaginară a societății/The Theory of justice as utopia. John Rawls and the imaginary construction of society*

Ileana Dascălu, FP-UB, *Implicații ale Principiului Aristotelic în educație/The Implications of the Aristotelian Principle in Education*

Irina Frasin, IESR, *O teorie a dreptății care să includă și animalele non-umane/A theory of Justice That Includes Non-Human Animals*

Dan-Adrian Cărămidariu, WUT, *Bugetul libertății. Dreptatea intergenerațională și schimbările climatice în viziunea recentă a Curții Constituționale Federale a Germaniei / The Budget of Freedom. Intergenerational Justice and the Climate Change in the Recent Vision of the German Federal Constitutional Court*

Brief concluding remarks / Scurte remarci finale

### **Abbreviations:**

FP-UB – Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest

IESR – Institute of Economic and Social Research, Romanian Academy

IPPAR – The Institute of Philosophy and Psychology, Romanian Academy

IPSIR – The Institute of Political Science and International Relations, Romanian Academy

PNGUoT/UNITECH – Department of Communication and Development Studies  
Papua New Guinea University of Technology

VU – Valahia University of Târgoviște

WUT – West University of Timișoara