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Registration

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Conference Fee

Including room and board 110 Euro
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Meals

All meals are included in the conference fee. Vegetarian meals can be served if the Academy is notified in advance.

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From the Central Station (Hauptbahnhof): Take the urban railway S-6 to Tutzing or the regional train (RB) towards Garmisch-Partenkirchen/Innsbruck/Murnau/Kochel/Seefeld till Tutzing. The train departs from track 27-36 (main level) every half hour.

From the airport take the urban railway S-1 or S-8 to Munich Central Station and follow the instructions above.

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Take freeway A95 towards Garmisch-Partenkirchen, then exit to Starnberg and continue on the federal highway (B2 / direction Weilheim) until you enter the town of Traubing, then take a left. At the end of the road turn right to Tutzing. The Akademie für Politische Bildung is on your left shortly after passing the town sign Tutzing.

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The concept of autonomy is related to education in two different ways: Firstly, autonomy is one of the most fundamental aims of education. Parents and public educational institutions typically pursue the goal that children become autonomous persons in the future. But what does it mean to become an autonomous person? How is autonomy related to age? How is autonomy related to other ethical values such as well-being or flourishing?

Secondly, autonomy plays a major role in the justification of education as well. Who has the autonomy to raise children? Typically parents fulfill this role. But what precisely is entailed by parental autonomy? What is the reach of parental autonomy, and what are its limits?

Autonomy in the first sense is taken to be an individual property, something that is good for children and which they should have as future adults. Autonomy in the second sense means something different: namely the liberty or legitimacy to raise one’s children in the manner one prefers.

Hence, we have two different perspectives on the relation of autonomy and education: The ethical perspective on values and how they can be realized. The other is the perspective of political philosophy which deals with questions of legitimacy, authority, and rights.

But in spite of being different, both perspectives are not independent from each other. For example, Joel Feinberg’s open future argument can be considered as an autonomy-based argument against specific forms of parental autonomy. Further, parental autonomy, at least to a certain degree, seems to be an important prerequisite for children’s proper development – including the future autonomy of the child. In this workshop we want to pursue these two different perspectives on the relation between autonomy and education. We thereby also hope to work out similarities and differences between both notions of autonomy.

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**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018**

12:30 PM Arrival
1:30 PM Introduction
2:00 PM Education for Relational Autonomy
   Andrea Westlund
   University of Wisconsin
3:00 PM Autonomous Adolescents and Autonomous Adults
   Monika Betzler
4:00 PM Coffee Break
4:30 PM Relational Autonomy and Bildung
   Krassimir Stoianov
   Catholic University Eichstätt-Ingolstadt
5:00 PM Autonomy an the goods of Childhood
   Alexander Bagattini
6:30 PM Dinner

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018**

8:15 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM Caring and Autonomy: Self-Governement without Evaluation or Motivational Hierarchy
   Agnieszka Jaworska
   UC Riverside
10:00 AM Animals in a Cage vs Having a Say: Children, Schools and Families
   Amy Mullin
   University of Toronto
11:00 AM Break
11:30 AM Autonomy in a World of Work
   Christopher Winch
   King’s College London
12:30 PM Lunch & End of the Conference

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018**

8:15 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM Concern and Respect in Upbringing
   Matthew Clayton
   University of Warwick
10:00 AM Anti-Perfectionism in Children’s Education
   Andrée-Anne Cormier
   University of Pompeu Fabra Barcelona
11:00 AM Break
11:15 AM What Parents May Teach Their Children
   Andrew Franklin-Hall
   University of Toronto
12:00 PM Lunch Break & Cake-Walk
2:00 PM Liberalism, Neutrality, and the Child’s Right to an Open Future
   Frank Dietrich
   Heine-University of Düsseldorf

3:00 PM Agency, Education and Unequal Childhoods
   Gideon Calder
   Swansea University
4:00 PM Coffee Break
4:30 PM Autonomie und Erziehung aus juristischer Perspektive
   Friederike Wapler
   University of Mainz
6:30 PM Dinner