

IVth Oltenia Colloquium in Early Modern Philosophy

Fictions, Counterfactuals and Possible Worlds in Early Modern Philosophy

April 22, 2016

University of Craiova, 13 AI Cuza Str., Amf. Dragan (room 444)

Chair: Adrian Nita (University of Craiova, Romania)

9:00 – 9:40 **Justin Smith** (Université Paris Diderot - Paris 7, France), What is a World? Counterfactuals and the Metaphysics of Fiction from Descartes to Leibniz

9:40 – 10:20 **Alexandra Lewendoski** (Technical University of Berlin, Germany), Etre ou ne pas être optimiste: telle est la question! Quelques remarques à propos du soi-disant optimisme leibnizien

10:20 – 10:40 Coffee break

Chair: Justin Smith (Université Paris Diderot - Paris 7, France)

10:40 – 11:20 **Andreas Blank** (Paderborn University, Germany), Leibniz on Striving Possibles and the Cognitive Theory of Volition

11:20 – 12:00 **Adrian Nita** (University of Craiova, Romania), Substantial Forms between Reality and Fiction

12:00 – 12:20 Coffee break

Chair: Andreas Blank (Paderborn University, Germany)

12:20 – 13:00 **Alexandru Stefanescu** („Dimitrie Cantemir” University, Bucharest, Romania), Leibniz and Utopia: Perfecting the World

13:00 – 13:40 **Ionut Raduica** (University of Craiova, Romania), Leibniz`s Possible Worlds in a recent interpretation: Hans Blumenberg

13:40 - 14.20 **Ohad Nachtomy** (Bar-Ilan University, Ramat Gan, Israel), Calvino and Leibniz on Fiction, Possibilities and the limits of the imagination