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**Category:** Academic Meeting

**Title:** Pragmatism and Objectivity

**Description:** The concept of objectivity is becoming increasingly central to discussions of philosophical and social-scientific pragmatism. This one-day workshop explores different dimensions of the concept of objectivity from the point of view of the pragmatist tradition and present-day pragmatism.

Programme:

10.00-12.00

Christopher Hookway (Sheffield)

Judgment and Experience

Leila Haaparanta (Tampere)

Objectivity and Assertoric Force

Henrik Rydenfelt (Helsinki)

Objectivity and Intersubjectivity

12.00-13.30

Lunch break

13.30-15.30

Chiara Ambrosio (UCL)

In Pursuit of Objectivity

Mats Bergman (Helsinki)

“Unless Truth Be Recognized as Public...”: Toward a Pragmatic Clarification of ‘Objectivity’

Brendan Hogan (NYU)

Philosophy and the Objectivity of Social Sciences

15.30-16.00

Break

16.00-18.00

Aki Petteri Lehtinen (Helsinki)

How to Study History: Pragmatist Relativism vs. Pragmatist Objectivity

David Hildebrand (Denver)

Looking Beyond Philosophy to Formulate Pragmatic Objectivity: Lessons from Journalism and History

## Discussion

The organisers of the workshop are the project Pragmatic Objectivity, supported by the Helsingin Sanomat Foundation and the University of Helsinki, and the Nordic Pragmatism Network, supported by NordForsk.

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**Place:** Unioninkatu 37, seminar room 4; The Department of Social Research, University of Helsinki

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