Philosophy and the Future
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While philosophy has primarily been focused on the past, many more philosophers than expected have considered the future as a privileged dimension of time. We are interested in the metaphysical, ontological, epistemological, ethical and existential outcomes yielded by a philosophy focused on the future. We further welcome papers on utopian or dystopian perspectives, logical and categorical investigations into the interrelation among past, present and the future, as well as historical or systematic approaches.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to

- Historical and philosophical approaches to the Future (discussed in the thought of one or more philosophers, or covering a period within the history of philosophy)
- Epistemology and the Future (does the emphasis on this dimension have any influence on epistemology? How relevant is the Future for the construction of scientific -physical, logical, mathematical, biological- theories?)
- Ontology and Metaphysics of the Future (is there room for the Future within branches of philosophy traditionally dealing with the 'unchanging and non-temporal'? Can the Future 'change' ontology and metaphysics?)
- Ethics and the Future (how may our anticipation of the Future influence moral behaviour, theories of happiness, or our conception the good and of virtues)
- Religious thought and the Future (conceptions of the beyond, theories of immortality – how does our anticipation of a life beyond shape our present/our world?)
- Politics and the Future (political utopia as a possible Future, political strategies -old and new- to approaching the Future)
- Anticipating the Future of Philosophy (in the universities, in the society)
Proponents

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Relevant information

- To submit an abstract to this workshop send a mail to both clauluch@tin.it and tina.roeck@uibk.ac.at before 15 April 2015.
- Further information on the conference is available from http://www.projectanticipation.org
- Workshop speakers should register and pay the conference fee:
  - Early registration (before 1 September 2015): € 150
  - Late registration (from 1 September 2015): € 200

Important dates

- Abstract submission: 15 April 2015
- Final program: 15 June 2015
- Early registration: Before 1 September 2015
- Deadline registration: 20 October 2015

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