Philosophy and the Brain – May 20-22, 2013

Location: IAS, Hebrew University

Monday, May 20

9:15 – 10:45 Mark Sprevak (Philosophy, University of Edinburgh) *Predictive Coding*

11:00 – 12:30 Hilla Jacobson (Philosophy, Ben-Gurion University) Killing the Messenger: Representationalism and the Painfulness of Pain

Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30 William Bechtel & Adele Abrahamsen (Philosophy, UC San Diego) Graph-theoretic Perspectives on Cellular and Neural Network Computation

16:00 -- 17:30 Edouard Machery, (History and Philosophy of Science, Pittsburgh University) *How to Test Computational Models?*

Dinner Reception

Tuesday, May 21

9:15 – 10:45 Frances Egan (Philosophy, Rutgers University) Function-Theoretic Cognitive Explanation and Neural Mechanisms

11:00 – 12:30 Jens Harbecke (Philosophy of Science, Witten/Herdecke University) Computational Levels and Levels of Mechanism

Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30 Gualtiero Piccinini (University of Missouri, St. Louis) The Metaphysics of Mind and the Multiple Sources of Multiple Realizability (coauthored with Corey Maley)

Wednesday, May 22

9:15 – 10:45 Eli Dresner (Philosophy, Tel-Aviv University) & Robert Matthews (Philosophy, Rutgers University) An Argument from Measurement against Computationalism Skepticism

11:00 -- 12:30 Arnon Levy (Van Leer Jerusalem Institute) *Against the Ontic Conception of Explanation*