



Meaning of Life: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

A workshop hosted by
the ERG and RELW
research groups

8-9 June, 2023

Tårnrommet (T400)

Breiviklia building, UiT

JUNE 8, THURSDAY

9-9.20am Coffee and Welcome

9.20-10.10am: Antti Kauppinen (Helsinki)

The Mathematics of Meaning

10:10-11am Beatrix Himmelmann (Tromsø)

Subjectivism and Objectivism about Meaning in Life

11-11:20am Coffee Break

11:20am-12:10pm Carl O'Brien (Heidelberg)

The Meaning of Life as a Life of Service in Antiquity

12:10-1pm Lunch

1-1:50pm Fredrik Nyseth (Tromsø)

Meaning and the Mental

1:50-2:40pm Javier Valenzuela (Murcia)

Meaning in Linguistic Interaction

2:40-3:10pm Coffee Break

3:10-4pm Donald Favareau (Singapore)

Biosemiotics and the Study of Sign Processes in Living Systems: The Ineliminable Role of Meaning in Life

4-4:50pm Anton Markoš (Prague)

Preconditions for Meaning Attribution by Life

JUNE 9, FRIDAY

9-9.20am Coffee and Welcome

9.20-10:10am Espen Dahl (Tromsø)

Phenomenology, Life, and Meaning

10:10-11am Theodor Rolfsen (Tromsø)

Nietzsche on Meaning and Life

11-11:20am Coffee Break

11:20am-12:10pm Greg Alles (Westminster, MD)

The Meaning of Life in Tribal India

12:10-1pm Lunch

1-1:50pm Maria Danielsen (Tromsø)

A Nussbaumian Theory of Meaning

1:50-2:40pm Mathea Sagdahl (Oslo)

In Defence of Passivity: Being on the Receiving End of Meaning

2:40-3:10pm Coffee Break

3:10-4pm Attila Tanyi (Tromsø)

On The Road to Meaning

4-4:50pm István Czachesz (Tromsø)

Meaning-making in Biological and Cultural Systems