

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Summary

I hold a BA & MA in analytic philosophy of language (title of the thesis: *The De dicto / De Re Distinction in Belief Ascriptions*, supervised by Marco Santambrogio) from the Università di Parma (Italy). In October 2012, I defended my PhD thesis in analytic philosophy of language (title: *Believing without Modes of Presentation*), supervised by Kevin Mulligan (main supervisor) and Santambrogio (co-supervisor), at the Université de Genève (Switzerland); the committee included Kit Fine (NYU) and François Recanati (Collège de France), who expressed extremely positive judgments on my thesis in their (non-confidential) reports (see p. 8).

During my PhD, as a visiting student, I spent: three semesters at the University of Sheffield (UK), supervised by Jennifer Saul; three semesters at NYU, supervised by Fine and Stephen Schiffer; and one term at Columbia University (New York). At the same time, I taught: philosophy of language and mind as a teaching assistant at the École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (Switzerland) for one year; philosophy of mind, applied ethics, and history of philosophy as a tutor (i.e. teaching assistant) at the University of Sheffield for one year; and critical thinking as an adjunct professor at CUNY and Rowan University (New Jersey) and for two and a half years.

After completing my PhD, in 2012-14 I served as an instructor in logic, metaphysics, modern and contemporary philosophy at Rutgers University (Camden, New Jersey) for one year, and subsequently I worked as a temporary lecturer in philosophy of language at the Université de Genève for one year and at the Université de Fribourg for one semester. In 2015-17, I was in California as a postdoctoral mobility fellow of the Swiss National Science Foundation; my research project was supervised by David Kaplan (UCLA), Nathan Salmon (UCSB) and Scott Soames (USC). In 2018-19, I held a postdoctoral fellowship from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science at Tokyo Metropolitan University, where I was hosted by Naoya Fujikawa (a scholar of Graham Priest, who has co-authored articles with him). In 2019-20, I was a visiting researcher at the University of Tokyo, working again with Fujikawa. In 2020-21, I was at Tokyo Metropolitan University as a visiting researcher under the supervision of Youichi Matsusaka (PhD from UCLA under Kaplan and Fine). In 2022, I was a María Zambrano fellow (funded by the European Union) at the Universidad de Valencia (Spain), hosted by Marc Artiga. From March 2023, I have been a Lise Meitner fellow of the Austrian Science Fund at the University of Vienna (local co-applicant Benjamin Schnieder and international collaborator Salmon).

Overall, I taught (in diverse and multicultural environments) 19 courses in 7 universities in Switzerland, the UK and the USA with excellent documented results from both students and faculty observers; I am currently a member of the *Vienna Doctoral School of Philosophy*, which supports PhD students at the University of Vienna by providing complementary and expert feedback and monitoring supervisory practices. I have delivered 76 talks, across Europe, in America (Canada, Mexico, 16 in the USA) and in Asia (Turkey, Israel, UAE, Hong Kong, South Korea, and 14 in Japan).

I have 13 published articles and 1 forthcoming, including: 7 in Q1 journals (*Philosophical Studies*, *Linguistics and Philosophy*, *Synthese*, *Dialectica*, the linguistics journal *Intercultural Pragmatics*, *Grazer Philosophische Studien*, *Disputatio*); 2 in Q2 journals (*Theoria*); and 1 in the volume *Metaphysics, Meaning, and Modality: Themes from Kit Fine*, Oxford University Press. My articles are extensively discussed in publications by Fine and Recanati, and mentioned in publications by Jim Pryor, Gary Ostertag, in *The Cambridge Handbook of the Philosophy of Language*, the *Blackwell's Companion to the Philosophy of Language* and *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions*. One of my papers was included in

the reading material of a graduate course taught by Pryor at NYU in 2012. Chulmin Yoon, a former PhD student at Ohio State University and now an assistant professor at the Korea Institute of Energy Technology in Seoul, dedicated a chapter of his PhD thesis (titled *Essays on De Jure Coreference*, supervised by Taschek and Caplan) to examining one of my articles.

Recently, I have organized conferences and workshops featuring speakers such as Nathan Salmon (UCSB), Scott Soames (USC), David Braun (Buffalo), Tim Crane (CEU), Teresa Robertson (UCSB), Zsófia Zvolenszky (Budapest), Naoya Fujikawa (University of Tokyo) and Youichi Matsusaka (Tokyo Metropolitan University), as well as online speakers/hosts such as Una Stojnić (Princeton University) and David Kaplan (UCLA).

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<https://phloxgroup.wordpress.com/people/>

### **Area of Specialization**

Analytic philosophy of language (especially belief reports, the *de dicto / de re* distinction, modes of presentation, mental files, Millianism, semantic relationism, proper names, empty names, neo-Meinongianism, propositions, singular thoughts and acquaintance)

### **Areas of Competence**

Philosophy of mind, metaphysics, logic, critical thinking, early modern philosophy, applied ethics, and mathematics (I successfully passed exams in linear algebra, analytic geometry and three exams in mathematical analysis at the Department of Electronic Engineering of the Università di Parma)

### **Education**

24.10.2012: PhD student in philosophy, Université de Genève.  
Title of the final dissertation: *Believing without Modes of Presentation*.  
Members of the PhD committee: Prof. Kevin Mulligan (supervisor), Université de Genève; Prof. Marco Santambrogio (co-supervisor), Università di Parma; Prof. Kit Fine (external examiner), NYU; Prof. François Recanati (external examiner), Collège de France.

*Mention très honorable avec les félicitations du jury à l'unanimité.*

<https://archive-ouverte.unige.ch/unige:34013>

27.06.2002: BA & MA student in philosophy, Università di Parma.  
Title of the final dissertation: *The De Dicto / De Re Distinction in Belief Ascriptions*.  
Supervisor: Prof. Marco Santambrogio.  
*110 out of 110 summa cum laude.*

## Current position

03.2023-: Lise Meitner fellow of the Austrian Science Fund, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna. Local co-applicant: Prof. Benjamin Schnieder. International collaborator: Prof. Nathan Salmon.

## Previous positions – *except for education (above) and teaching activities (pp. 4-5)*

02.2022-02.2023: María Zambrano fellow (funded by the European Union - Next Generation EU plan), Department of Philosophy, Universidad de Valencia. Host researcher: Prof. Marc Artiga. (I did not complete this two-year postdoc because before obtaining it, I had already accepted a Meitner fellowship in Vienna, whose starting date could not be postponed after March 2023.)

10.2020-01.2022: Visiting researcher, Department of Philosophy, History and Cultural Studies, Tokyo Metropolitan University. Host researcher: Prof. Youichi Matsusaka.

06.2019-04.2020: Visiting researcher, Department of History and Philosophy of Science, University of Tokyo. Host researcher: Prof. Naoya Fujikawa.

03.2018-01.2019: Postdoctoral fellow of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, Department of Philosophy, History and Cultural Studies, Tokyo Metropolitan University. Host researcher: Prof. Fujikawa.

09.2017-02.2018: Research scholar, Philosophy Department, UCLA. Supervisor: Prof. David Kaplan.

02.2015-08.2017: Advanced Postdoc Mobility fellow of the Swiss National Science Foundation. I visited the Philosophy Departments of UCSB (supervisor: Prof. Nathan Salmon) for 6 months; subsequently, I visited UCLA (supervisor: Prof. Kaplan) for 25 months and concurrently spent 12 months at USC (supervisor: Prof. Scott Soames).

09.2013-07.2014: Postdoctoral researcher, Philosophy Department, Université de Genève.

03.2012-08.2012: Short-term scholar, Philosophy Department, Columbia University.

01.2008-08.2009: Visiting student and for the first 9 months Doc Mobility fellow of the Swiss National Science Foundation, NYU (supervisors: Professors Kit Fine and Stephen Schiffer).

01.2006-06.2007: Visiting student, Philosophy Department, University of Sheffield (supervisor: Prof. Jennifer Saul).

## Training attended

2005: École Thématique *Esprit Science Metaphysique*, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Ramatuelle (France).

2003: NYU Summer School in Analytic Philosophy, Firenze.

2001: NYU Summer School in Analytic Philosophy, Parma.

2000: NYU Summer School in Analytic Philosophy, Parma.

## Funded projects and other awards (net amounts)

13.03.2023-: Senior postdoctoral project *Millian Russellianism Naturalized*, Lise Meitner fellowship, University of Vienna. PI: myself. Funded by the Austrian Science Fund. € 45.000 annual.

- 21.02.2022-10.03.2023: Senior postdoctoral project *A Naturalistic Account of Imagination and Imaginary Objects*, María Zambrano fellowship, Universidad de Valencia. Funded by the European Union - Next Generation EU. € 30.000 annual.
- 03.03.2018-02.02.2019: Postdoctoral project *Millian Russellianism, Nonexistence and Cognitive Propositions*, Tokyo Metropolitan University. Funded by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science. € 30.000.
- 01.02.2015-30.08.2017: Senior postdoctoral project *Russellianism*, UCSB, UCLA and USC. Funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. PI: myself. € 130.000.
- 08.2013: Contribution from Société Académique de Genève. € 1.000.
- 08.2012: Doctoral fellowship, Université de Genève. € 4.000.
- 01.01.2008-30.09.2008: Doctoral project *The Logic of Belief Sentences*, NYU. Funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. € 30.000.
- 01.01.2007-30.06.2007: Doctoral project *Le Basi Linguistiche dei Processi Mentali*, Università di Parma. Funded by the Cariparma Bank Foundation. € 10.000.
- 01.09.2005-31.08.2006: Doctoral fellowship, Université de Genève. Funded by the Schmidheiny Foundation. € 20.000.
- 2004: Awards from the Université de Genève: Bourse Amiel; Bourse Flournoy; Bourse Spir; Prix Humbert de la Philosophie. Each between € 1.000 and € 5.000.
- 01.01.2003-31.08.2004: *IRIS – Les Concepts Formels*, Université de Genève. PI: Mulligan. € 40.000.

### Teaching activities

- 09.2014-12.2014: Temporary lecturer (for BA and MA students) in Philosophy of Language, Université de Fribourg.
- 09.2013-07.2014: Temporary lecturer (sole lecturer for one semester and with Kevin Mulligan for another semester) in Philosophy of Language (*Suppléant post-doctorant*), Université de Genève.
- 09.2012-06.2013: Adjunct Professor in Introduction to Logic, in Metaphysics, and in History of Philosophy II (i.e. modern and contemporary philosophy), Rutgers University (Camden, USA).
- 09.2010-12.2011: Adjunct Professor in Beginning Informal Logic, CUNY York College (New York).
- 09.2009-12.2011: Adjunct Professor in Logic of Everyday Reasoning, Rowan University (New Jersey, USA).
- 09.2006-06.2007: Tutor (i.e. teaching assistant) in Mind, Brain and Personal Identity, in Matters of Life and Death, and in History of Philosophy, University of Sheffield.
- 09.2004-08.2005: Teaching assistant (with Julien Deonna and Ghislain Guigon) in Theoretical Philosophy (viz. philosophy of language and philosophy of mind), École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.

Overall, I have taught, during and after my PhD, in English and French, in diverse multicultural environments, 19 courses in symbolic logic, critical thinking, philosophy of language, philosophy of mind, metaphysics, applied ethics, modern and contemporary philosophy, history of philosophy at 7 universities in Switzerland (École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Université de Genève, Université de Fribourg), the UK (University of Sheffield) and the USA (Rowan University, CUNY and Rutgers University). They included one MA course (Fribourg) and two online courses (Sheffield and Rutgers). Three courses involved teamwork: the one at the École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne was taught

with Prof. Julien Deonna and Dr. Ghislain Guigon, while one at the Université de Genève was taught with Prof. Kevin Mulligan; the two online courses, especially the one at Rutgers, required close collaboration with the academic administration. The high quality of my teaching is shown in several evaluations from students that reach the score of 4.70 over 5.00, in an evaluation from Prof. Timothy Kirk, a CUNY faculty observer, who evaluated a course of mine as “excellent”, and in a letter from Prof. Richard Hyland, a distinguished professor of the Law School of Rutgers-Camden University, who attended one of my logic courses in spring 2013. In a (non-confidential) letter, Prof. Hyland wrote:

Prof. Bonardi is a highly effective teacher, and the course was absolutely terrific. Though he is always extremely well prepared, he remains appropriately humble in front of the class so that there is no pretention or condescension at any moment. He is exceptionally clear, and the pace of the course is just right. The undergraduate students I spoke with have the same view of the class that I do. There were a couple of students who seemed to have inadequate preparation for the course. When they asked questions, I tried to imagine how I myself would have responded. Most of the time I had no idea how I would clear up their confusion. But Prof. Bonardi always knew the right thing to say. He intuited exactly where these students were stumbling, and he always managed to get them over the hump, or, at the very least, help them enough so they could discuss the matter with him at greater length during the break. ... At every moment during the semester we knew exactly why we were examining the questions before us. ... I will admit that I am glowing from the efficiency with which Prof. Bonardi managed to convey this material and the pleasure I received as I learned it.

### **Reviewing activities**

I have served as a reviewer for the journals *Mind*, *Journal of Philosophy*, *Analysis*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Synthese*, *Erkenntnis*, *Dialectica*, *Review of Philosophy and Psychology*, *Analytic Philosophy*, *Theoria* (Spain), *Theoria* (Sweden), *Manuscrito*, *Teorema*, *Philosophia: Philosophical Quarterly of Israel*, *The Philosophical Forum* and for the publishing house *Oxford University Press* (volume chapter).

### **Conference organization**

- 06.2024: Workshop, University of Vienna. Invited speakers: Salmon, Soames, David Braun, Tim Crane, Teresa Robertson and Zsófia Zvolenszky. Organized by me.
- 06.2024: Conference, University of Vienna. Speakers: Fujikawa and myself. Organized by me.
- 09.2023: Mini-workshop *On Kaplan on Words*, University of Vienna. Invited speakers: Una Stojnić (Princeton University) and Matsusaka. Special guest (on Zoom): Kaplan. Organized by me.
- 11.2022: Talk, University of Valencia. Invited speaker: Matsusaka. Co-organized.
- 2006: The *Semantics & Pragmatics Workshop*, University of Sheffield. Invited speakers: Carpintero, Bach, Braun, etc. I assisted (with Esa Díaz-León) the organizer, J. Saul.
- 2004/5: Two international conferences/workshops, University of Geneva. I assisted the organizer, P. Keller-Blum.

### **Supervision**

As a member of the *Vienna Doctoral School of Philosophy*, I can be part of *Thesis Advisory Committees*, which support PhD students by providing complementary and expert feedback and monitoring supervisory practices.

### **Memberships**

- *Phlox*, Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna (from October 2023).
- *Vienna Doctoral School of Philosophy* (from August 2023).
- *VLC Philosophy LAB*, Department of Philosophy, Universidad de Valencia (from 2022).

- Research group *eidos, the Centre of Metaphysics*, Philosophy Department, Université de Genève (from 2013).
- American Philosophical Association.
- *International Exchange Alumni*, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, US Department of State (invited, from 2016).

## Referees

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- *Youichi Matsusaka*, Department of Philosophy, History and Cultural Studies, Tokyo Metropolitan University, [matsusak@ybb.ne.jp](mailto:matsusak@ybb.ne.jp)
- *Naoya Fujikawa*, Department of History and Philosophy of Science, University of Tokyo, [fjnaoya@gmail.com](mailto:fjnaoya@gmail.com)

## Publications

- Imaginary Objects as Created Mental Types. Forthcoming as a chapter in a Springer volume.
- Being Pleonastic. In Y. Kappes, A. Passinsky, J. De Rizzo and Benjamin Schnieder (eds.), *Facets of Reality: Contemporary Debates. Contributions of the Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society*. Austrian Ludwig Wittgenstein Society, 2024.  
<https://philpapers.org/archive/KAPFOR-2.pdf>
- Salmon, Schiffer and Frege's Constraint. *Synthese* 204(13), 2024.  
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11229-024-04502-5>  
Ranking: Q1.
- Rational Belief and Dialetheism. *Intercultural Pragmatics* 18(3): 309-335, 2021 (thematic issue: *Pragmatics and Philosophy*).  
<https://www.degruyter.com/document/doi/10.1515/ip-2021-2016/pdf>  
Ranking: Q1.  
Philosophers like Carpintero, Corazza, Salmon, Voltolini have published in this linguistics journal.
- The “Cicero”/“Cicero” Puzzling Case. *Theoria* 87(3): 628-642, 2021.  
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/theo.12300>  
*Open access*. Ranking: Q2 (but Q1 when my paper was accepted for publication). Citations (that I was able to found / I am aware): 1 (Tarnowski&Glowacki).
- Coordination, Understanding and Semantic Requirements. In M. Dumitru, *Metaphysics, Meaning, and Modality: Themes from Kit Fine*, 360-367. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/metaphysics-meaning-and-modality-9780199652624?cc=ro&lang=en&#>

Citations (that I was able to found / I am aware): 2 (Fine, Yoon).

Kit Fine has replied to the objections I raised in this chapter in his (five-page) “Comments on Paolo Bonardi’s ‘Coordination, Understanding and Semantic Requirements’” published in the same volume. (The volume also includes contributions on Fine’s philosophy from Almog, Correia, Forbes, Hale, Mackie, Moltmann, Ostertag, Rosen, Wilson, etc.) My chapter is mentioned/discussed in Yoon’s “Semantic Relationism”, *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions*, 2022.

- Frege’s Puzzle and Cognitive Relationism: An Essay on Mental Files and Coordination. *Disputatio* 12(56): 1-40, 2020.  
[https://content.sciendo.com/view/journals/disp/12/56/article-p1.xml?fbclid=IwAR2VC48n4ulOpJ10UVIKEn7fowJhR-jQMg1Fsx4G0LMe6Jm3s1NI\\_G7rphI](https://content.sciendo.com/view/journals/disp/12/56/article-p1.xml?fbclid=IwAR2VC48n4ulOpJ10UVIKEn7fowJhR-jQMg1Fsx4G0LMe6Jm3s1NI_G7rphI)  
*Open access. Ranking: Q1. Citations (that I was able to found / I am aware): 1 (Murez).*
- Manifest Validity and Beyond: An Inquiry into the Nature of Coordination and the Identity of Guises and Propositional-Attitude States. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 42(5): 475-515, 2019.  
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10988-018-9245-z>  
*Open access. Ranking: Q1. Citations (that I was able to found / I am aware): 4 (Grano, Recanati, Yoon).*

This is, in my opinion, my most important paper. Recanati has replied to an objection I raised in it in his chapter “Mental Files”, *The Cambridge Handbook of the Philosophy of Language*, 2022 and more extensively (two pages) in his chapter “Individuating (and Typing) Mental Files”, *Thought: its Origins and Reach. Essays for Mark Sainsbury*, 2024. Chulmin Yoon, who earned his PhD in philosophy from Ohio State University (with committee members Caplan, Shapiro, and Taschek) and is currently an assistant professor at the Korea Institute of Energy Technology in Seoul, dedicated a chapter of his four-chapter PhD thesis ( [http://rave.ohiolink.edu/etdc/view?acc\\_num=osu1595589314146257](http://rave.ohiolink.edu/etdc/view?acc_num=osu1595589314146257) ) to examining this paper of mine; he also mentioned it in his chapter “Semantic Relationism”, *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions*, 2022.

- Kaplan’s Counterexample to Quine’s Theorem. *Grazer Philosophische Studien* 95(2): 196-223, 2018.  
<http://booksandjournals.brillonline.com/content/journals/10.1163/18756735-000034>  
*Ranking: Q1.*
- Names of Truth Bearers, and “That”-Clauses: A Dilemma for Millians. *Theoria* 83(3): 175-184, 2017.  
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/theo.12128/full>  
*Open access. Ranking: Q2. Citations (that I was able to found / I am aware): 1 (Rinner).*
- Semantic Relationism, Belief Reports and Contradiction. *Philosophical Studies* 166(2): 273-284, 2013.  
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11098-012-0017-2>  
*Ranking: Q1. Citations (that I was able to found / I am aware): 6 (Faroldi, Heck, Yoon, Lima, Ostertag, Pryor).*

This paper was included in the reading material of a graduate course taught by Pryor at NYU in fall 2012 ( <http://www.jimpryor.net/teaching/courses/hyper/index.html> ). It is also mentioned in the second edition of *Blackwell’s Companion to the Philosophy of Language*, 2017, in *The Routledge Handbook of Propositions*, 2022, and in publications by authors like Ostertag and Pryor.

- Critical notice of: Eros Corazza, *Reflecting the Mind. Indexicality and Quasi-Indexicality*. *Dialectica* 62(1): 135-141, 2008.  
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/j.1746-8361.2007.01139.x>  
Ranking: Q1.
- The Fregean Theory of Belief Reports and Anaphora. In P. Hanna, *An Anthology of Philosophical Studies*. Athens: Atiner, 2008.  
[https://www.atiner.gr/docs/2008Hanna\\_CONT.htm](https://www.atiner.gr/docs/2008Hanna_CONT.htm)
- Arguments against the Fregean Model of “That”-Clauses: a Comment on Vignolo. *Abstracta* 3(2): 162-175, 2007.  
<https://www.oalib.com/paper/2069126>

### **Paper to resubmit**

Millian Russellianism and the Principle of Acquaintance. To be resubmitted to *Synthese* after major revisions.

### **Research achievements**

The judgments on my PhD thesis expressed by my external examiners, Fine and Recanati, in their (non-confidential) reports were extremely positive. Recanati wrote:

La thèse est remarquable et digne de publication ... [Bonardi] fait preuve d’originalité, de clarté, de concision, et d’une parfaite maîtrise du sujet. ... Il s’agit de tout point d’une thèse exceptionnelle, qui fait indubitablement et significativement avancer la réflexion sur ces sujets.

Fine wrote:

[Bonardi’s] treatment of subsystems of belief is much more systematic and rigorous than Davidson’s. ... In my opinion, the material on belief subsystems is the most significant contribution of the thesis. It is good to have a reasonably systematic account of the notion, which, to my knowledge, has not previously been given; and the notion is one that should be of interest to anyone in the philosophy of language or mind, regardless of their other views.

Later on, in his “Comments on Paolo Bonardi’s ‘Coordination, Understanding and Semantic Requirements’” (*Metaphysics, Meaning, and Modality: Themes from Kit Fine*, 2020), Fine described myself as someone who “has written extensively and illuminatingly on direct reference theory”. Regarding my paper “Manifest Validity and Beyond” (*Linguistics and Philosophy*, 2019), which introduces important changes in the Millian-Russellian account developed in my PhD thesis, an anonymous reviewer wrote:

This paper makes an original and significant contribution to the growing literature on “coordination” (sometimes known as “de jure coreference”), an important topic in the philosophy of language. The author raises a number of cogent objections to extant accounts of the phenomenon (e.g. in terms of mental files), and outlines a novel view of their own, based on the concept of an “occurrence of a Russellian proposition”. The use of this concept also makes the paper relevant to current debates on the nature of propositions. I believe many philosophers (and linguists interested in foundational issues) could benefit, as I did, from reading this challenging paper.

Regarding my paper “Salmon, Schiffer and Frege’s Constraint”, which develops a criticism to Salmon and Schiffer contained in my PhD thesis, an anonymous reviewer stated:

The present submission is of high quality, significantly superior to what is typically published nowadays in the high-profile philosophy journals.



## Works in progress

- I am working on 7 papers (on the alleged transitivity of coordination, propositional attitudes and coordination, mental files, artifactualism versus neo-Meinongianism, imaginary objects, semantics of variables and anaphors, word identity). 2 of them are currently submitted to *Philosophical Studies* and *Linguistics and Philosophy*, while 1 will soon be submitted to *Noûs* or *PPR*.
- I am working since a long while on a book entitled *The Remnants of Modes of Presentation*, where I extensively argue that my Millian-Russellian account with cognitive coordination, very fine-grained token attitudes, and belief subsystems in the place of modes of presentation is preferable to Schiffer's (*The Things We Mean*, 2003), Salmon's (*Frege's Puzzle*, 1986) and Fine's (*Semantic Relationism*, 2007) theories. A senior editor of Palgrave Macmillan invited me to submit a book proposal to his publishing house. However, I am (also) considering submitting proposals to publishers like Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press and Routledge.

## Oral presentations

### 2024:

- Conference *Meaning, Reference and Modality: Celebrating Nathan Salmon's Work*, on the occasion of his official retirement from teaching, UC Santa Barbara, November 10-11, 2024. *Invited*, with 7 other speakers including Scott Soames, David Braun, Teresa Robertson and Stefano Predelli. (Travel and accommodation expenses were covered by the UCSB Department of Philosophy and the *Steven Humphrey Fund for Excellence in Philosophy*.)  
[https://philevents.org/event/show/127850?fbclid=IwY2xjawGHT9VleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHcwLUcCo1fwbvqu6FKUJsVbICanS2ZiiRKZypw2cgD0Xcq\\_C7TyclTiD8Q\\_aem\\_wr-HaadVceVK0Yvrc0gk8g](https://philevents.org/event/show/127850?fbclid=IwY2xjawGHT9VleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHcwLUcCo1fwbvqu6FKUJsVbICanS2ZiiRKZypw2cgD0Xcq_C7TyclTiD8Q_aem_wr-HaadVceVK0Yvrc0gk8g)
- Workshop, Waseda University, Tokyo.
- Workshop of the *Eastern Hemisphere Language & Metaphysics Network*, University of Tokyo.
- 45th International Wittgenstein Symposium, Kirchberg am Wechsel, Austria (invited speakers: Williamson, Thomasson, Boghossian, Rosen, Schaffer, etc.).
- Conference in Philosophy of Language, University of Vienna.
- Pragmasophia: International Conference on Pragmatics and Philosophy, University of Messina, Italy (invited speakers: Robin Jeshion, etc.)
- Pacific Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, Portland (commented by Angel Pinillos)
- Talk in the seminar *Knowledge in Crisis*, University of Vienna and Central European University

### 2023:

- *European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, University of Vienna
- Talk, University of Granada
- Pacific Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, San Francisco (commented by David Braun)

### 2022:

- Quodlibeta talk series, Université de Genève
- Prague-Valencia Workshop, University of Prague (commented by Petr Kotatko)
- Talk, Universidad de Valencia

### 2020:

- Talk, Seoul National University

- Talk, Yonsei University, South Korea

2019:

- Talk, Université de Neuchâtel
- Talk, University of Tokyo
- Talk, University of Hiroshima
- Central Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, Denver
- Talk, Osaka University
- Talk, University of Nagoya, Japan
- Talk, University of Hokkaido, Japan

2018:

- Workshop in honor of Graham Priest's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, Kyoto University (invited speakers: Graham Priest, Achille Varzi, etc.)
- Workshop *Logic and Engineering of Natural Language Semantics 15*, Keio University, Tokyo
- Talk, Osaka University
- Talk, Okayama University, Japan
- Workshop, University of Tokyo
- Graduate Seminar, Philosophy Department, UCSB
- Pacific Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, San Diego (commented by Gary Ostertag)
- Talk, *Van Leer Jerusalem Institute*, Jerusalem
- *Israeli Philosophical Association Conference*, Haifa
- Eastern Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, Savannah

2017:

- *European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, Munich (Germany)
- *The New York Philosophy of Language Workshop*, NYU
- Talk, Philosophy Department, Carleton University, Ottawa
- Lecture, Philosophy Department, Carleton University, Ottawa

2016:

- Talk, Philosophy Department, NYU Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- Talk, Philosophy Department, University of Hong Kong
- Talk, Philosophy Department, Lingnan University, Hong Kong
- Lecture at the *Center for Applied Philosophy and Ethics*, Graduate School of Letters, Kyoto University
- Talk, Department of Philosophy, History and Cultural Studies, Tokyo Metropolitan University
- Talk, Philosophy Department, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico City

2015:

- *Thinking the Same: A Workshop on Mental Files*, Istanbul (*invited*; with François Recanati, David Papineau, Angel Pinillos, Robin Jeshion, etc.)
- Conference *Existence, Non-Existence and Intentionality*, Université de Genève (*invited*; with Alberto Voltolini, Francesco Berto, Peter Simons, Gianfranco Soldati, etc.)
- Graduate Seminar, Philosophy Department, UCSB
- Central Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, Saint Louis

2014:

- Talk on Mental Files, Institut Jean Nicod, Paris (*invited*)
- Talk on Modes of Presentation, *PhilEAs* Conference, Université de Genève (*invited*)

- *European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, University of Bucharest
- Workshop *Constructing the World*, Université de Fribourg (invited speakers: David Chalmers, Martine Nida-Rümelin, etc.)
- Pacific Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, San Diego (commented by Sam Cumming)

2013:

- Conference *The Philosophy of Kit Fine*, Comabbio, Italy (invited speakers: Kit Fine, Fraser MacBride, Fabrice Correia, etc.)
- *Swedish Congress of Philosophy*, University of Stockholm
- Congress of the *Canadian Society for Philosophy*, University of Victoria

2012:

- Eastern Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, Atlanta
- *The New York Philosophy of Language Workshop*, NYU (invited)

2009:

- Computational Logic Seminar, CUNY Graduate Center (invited)

2008:

- *CUNY Graduate Student Philosophy Conference*, New York
- Central Division of the *American Philosophical Association*, Chicago (commented by Michael McKinsey)

2007:

- Congress of the *European Society for Philosophy and Psychology*, Université de Genève
- *Second International Conference on Philosophy*, University of Athens
- Graduate Seminar, Philosophy Department, University of Sheffield
- Seminar, Philosophy Department, Università di Parma (invited)

2006:

- *British Postgraduate Analytic Philosophy Conference*, University of Warwick (commentator)
- Congrès de la *Société de Philosophie Analytique (SoPhA)*, Aix-en-Provence
- Congress of the *German Society for Analytic Philosophy*, Freie Universität, Berlin
- Congress of the *Italian Society for Analytic Philosophy*, Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Milan
- Graduate Seminar, Philosophy Department, University of Sheffield

2005:

- *Joint Sessions of the Aristotelian Society and Mind Association*, University of Manchester
- *European Congress of Analytic Philosophy*, University of Lisbon
- Congress of the *European Society for Philosophy and Psychology*, University of Lund, Sweden

2004:

- *Joint Sessions of the Aristotelian Society and Mind Association*, University of Kent, UK
- Congress of the *Spanish Society for Analytic Philosophy*, University of Murcia
- *Geneva-Barcelona Meeting*, University of Barcelona
- Graduate Seminar, Philosophy Department, Université de Genève