

Announcements/Chronique

Aristotle Today Conference

The Department of Philosophy of the University of Alberta is pleased to announce a conference, *Aristotle Today*, which will concentrate on the contemporary significance of Aristotle's science and philosophy of scientific knowledge, to be held in Edmonton on March 14-16, 1986. The speakers will be Francis Sparshott (Toronto), Jonathan Barnes (Oxford), Montgomery Furth (UCLA), Alan Code (Berkeley), Marc Cohen (Washington), and Mohan Matthen (Alberta). For further information please write to Mohan Matthen, Department of Philosophy, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6G 2E5.

SENCOSA Conference

The Southeastern Nineteenth-Century Studies Association Conference will be held in Memphis, Tennessee, April 10-12, 1986, with Mark Girouard as keynote speaker. For more information contact Dr. Joan Weatherly, SENCOSA Programme Chair, Department of English, Memphis State University, Memphis, TN 39152.

Conference on Argumentation

The First International Conference on Argumentation will be held June 3-5, 1986, in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, chaired by Frans H. van Eemeren and Rob Grootendorst (University of Amsterdam). Papers are invited from scholars in different countries in various disciplines (linguistics, philosophy, psychology, sociology, speech communication) and from different approaches (empirical, normative, rhetorical, dialectical). Topics may range from very general issues and methodological problems to more specific topics such as fallacies, suppressed premises, argumentation schemata, argumentation in law or politics, etc. The proceedings will be published. Papers will be blind refereed. Send abstracts (in English) by December 15, 1985, to Francisca Jungslager, Instituut voor Neerlandistiek, Spuistraat 134, 1012 VB Amsterdam, The Netherlands. For further information contact the Chairmen or the North American members of the planning committee: J. Anthony Blair (University of Windsor) and Charles A. Willard (University of Louisville).

IPPNO Conference

At the 1983 World Congress of Philosophy a new group, International Philosophers for the Prevention of Nuclear Omnicide (IPPNO) was formed, open equally to all countries. Its first International Conference will be held in the United States in 1986 under the presidency of Prof. John Somerville, with an International Organizing Committee representing all major countries and all philosophical viewpoints. Its primary purpose is dialogue for mutual understanding and peace among countries with differing ideologies and social systems. Five conference days are planned for plenary sessions, symposia, and workshops. All proceedings will be open to the educational community. Papers of not more than twenty minutes' reading time are solicited from scholars in any discipline related to the prevention of nuclear conflict.

For further details and draft prospectus of the Conference write to Prof. John Somerville, 1426 Merritt Drive, El Cajon, CA 92020, tel. (619) 447-1641.

Hobbes Conference

A Hobbes Conference, at the University of Helsinki, will be held on May 4-7, 1987. The topic is "The Possibility of Justifying World Government on Hobbesian Principles." Submission of papers and requests for information should be sent to either Prof. Timo Aireksinen, University of Helsinki, Unioninkatu 40 B, 00170, Helsinki, Finland, or to Prof. Martin Bertman, International Hobbes Association, SUNY, Potsdam, NY 13676.

International Society for the Study of European Ideas

This society, founded in 1984, will seek to promote the study of Europe's cultural past and present. Special stress will be laid on the inventive and creative aspects of the European mind in science, religion, philosophy, art, literature, sociology, law, politics, history, economics, and psychology. European ideas will be shown to be the outcome of over four centuries of a continual cultural exchange among European nations.

Two Maxwell prizes of \$1,000 each will be distributed annually to young scholars for the best essays on European ideas.

Membership of the Society (ISSEI) is open to any person or institution expressing interest in the purpose of the Society. Members receive the journal *History of European Ideas* and the Society's *Newsletter*. Full members of the Society with voting rights will be those who have paid full current dues (\$30.00 for individuals, \$150.00 for institutions) to the treasurer, Janet Hedley, Pergamon Press Ltd., Headington Hill Hall, Oxford OX3 OBW, England.

The Society will seek to establish contact with leading cultural societies in Europe, the United States, Japan, and elsewhere, devoted to the study of specific periods or movements in European cultural history.

The Society is affiliated to the European Cultural Foundation, Amsterdam, and is under the patronage of Mr. Robert Maxwell, Chairman of Pergamon Press, Oxford.