

*The Philosophy of the Sciences That Received Philosophy of Science Neglected:
Historical Perspectives*

With its historical orientation, Team E faces a particular challenge and opportunity in addressing the overall topic of Year 4 of the PSE programme: the consideration of philosophical issues posed by the sciences that philosophy has tended to neglect. Clearly, there are only so many forgotten precursors that can be dug up without turning the meeting into a bonfire of obscurities (however enjoyable that might be). Accordingly, Team E proposes to link its pursuit of the overall theme also to a motif that characterised its contribution to the first plenary conference in Vienna: the plurality of philosophy of science traditions in Europe. (The two workshops since followed a mainly analytic agenda.) Allowing ourselves the reference to the analytic tradition under the moniker “Received” in the title of our workshop, we will consider not only early attempts at a philosophy of an otherwise neglected science by members of the analytic tradition but also make the most of our planned venue and pay extended attention to the specific contribution that French philosophy of science made to just these topics. In addition, there will be roundtable discussion featuring members of Team E on a “The Contribution of Kantian and Neo-Kantian Philosophy to the Philosophy of the Empirical Sciences Other Than Physics” (the caveat should be self-explanatory). In this way Team E will do justice both to the “first-order” topic of Year 4 and the multifaceted nature of the PSE-programme.

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