



Centre for Ethics as Study in Human Value,  
University of Pardubice is pleased  
to announce the conference

June 1 — 3, 2022, Pardubice, Czech Republic

# The Ethics of Home: Patriotism, Cosmopolitanism and Alienation

The past century has brought with it fast and unprecedented globalization in which the meaning and significance of the concepts of home and belonging are constantly renegotiated and redefined. Cosmopolitanism, pluralism, multiculturalism and post-colonialism contra protectionism, nationalism and patriotism constitute the usual polarities in the political dialogue – and the recent resurgence of populism and xenophobia make exploring these issues perhaps more acute than ever. In addition, the current pandemic changed our perception of physical presence and distance, transferring most relationships to virtual space, eroding borders between work space and public space and between what is private and public.

The aim of the conference is to explore the underlying ethical and political aspects of rootedness, belonging and home in an increasingly internationalizing and virtualising world. How do we understand “home” and related concepts as a central, orienting image for the development of identity and value in the midst of such change and contestation? What are the political, social and moral consequences of a communal loss of a sense of belonging? And what do the experiences of exile, of being a refugee, of displacement and relocation entail for our communal life and a sense of identity?

## Keynote Speakers:

**Raimond Gaita**

(University of Melbourne)

*“We will decide who comes to this country”*  
(Australian PM 2001)

**Naomi Scheman**

(University of Minnesota)

*The politics of homemaking: Leaving, staying, and starting anew*

**Désirée Lim**

(Pennsylvania State University)

*Non-citizens and the demands of social equality*

**Gerry Simpson**

(London School of Economics)

*Home and away: Some thoughts on internationalism*

## Contributing Speakers:

**Alfred Archer**

(Tilburg University)

*Consigning to history*

**Rhianwen Daniel**

(Cardiff University)

*Consolidating national culture's objectivity  
by means of linguistic relativity*

**Kamila Pacovská**

(University of Pardubice)

*Home as a place of evil. Why moral psychology  
shouldn't shun maltreated children*

**Joel Backström**

(University of Helsinki)

*Love and capital: Breaking and making homes*

**Antony Fredriksson**

(University of Pardubice)

*Walking in the same tracks: Being guided  
in an alien place*

**Daniel Swain Rosenhaft**

(Czech University of Life Sciences)

*John Berger on migrant workers  
and the mystification of (not) belonging*

**Laura Candiotta**

(University of Pardubice)

*Becoming native*

**Patrick Keenan & Vladimir Lukić**

(University of Pardubice)

*Past nostalgia and future belonging*

**John Min & Marián Sekerák**

(College of Southern Nevada, AMBIS College)

*Patriotism(s) as a response to current populism(s):  
A critical investigation*

**Pilar Lopez Cantero**

(Tilburg University)

*Travel and cosmopolitan motivation*

**Olli Lagerspetz**

(Åbo Akademi/University of Pardubice)

*Waste: the Ethics and the Form of Life*

**Amy Sepinwall**

(University of Pennsylvania)

*Citizen responsibility, reparations, and protest*

**Workshop venue:** The historical building of the University of Pardubice, nám. Čs. legií  
565, 530 02 Pardubice, Room 03004.

**Zoom link for on-line participants:** [bit.ly/3PgmSsN](https://bit.ly/3PgmSsN)

**Organisers:** Matej Cibik, Antony Fredriksson, Niklas Forsberg, Kamila Pacovská.

Attendance is free of charge. Registration is not necessary, but if you know in advance that you are coming, please let us know (e-mail [matej.cibik@upce.cz](mailto:matej.cibik@upce.cz))

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