



Einladung zum GASTVORTRAG

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## Hylomorphism. A Critical Analysis

Mi., 20. 6. 2018, 18.00 Uhr s.t., Seminarraum VI (Karl-Rahner-Platz 3)

In my talk I examine the hylomorphic conception in relation to organisms that have a conscious life less complex than humans'. The examination I'll carry out will lead me to a skeptical conclusion about the plausibility of the hylomorphic view. Hylomorphism displays a conception of living organisms that is based on a notion of form identifiable with nothing more than the complex structure of organisms. Therefore, a stronger notion of form is either redundant or incorrect. It is *redundant* because it does not possess the emergent powers hylomorphists attribute to form with respect to structure. It is *incorrect* insofar as hylomorphists attribute to form a finalistic explanatory function, in clear contrast to contemporary exclusion of finalism from science.



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