

**EmQM17** | Day 1: Thursday, October 26th 2017

**Chair: Jan Walleczek**

- 8:45–9:00 Welcome Address  
9:00–9:30 Jan Walleczek (*Phenosience Laboratories, Berlin, DE*)  
Towards Ontology of Quantum Mechanics and the Conscious Agent  
9:30–10:15 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**  
Basil Hiley (*University of London, UK*)  
Bohm, Physicist Philosopher: The Battle to find a Satisfactory Quantum Ontology  
10:15–10:30 Coffee break  
10:30–11:00 Howard Wiseman (*Griffith University, Brisbane, AU*)  
Relativistic Causality and Bell's Theorems  
11:00–11:30 Shan Gao (*Shanxi University, CN*)  
A Particle Ontological Interpretation of the Wave Function  
11:30–12:00 Roderich Tumulka (*University of Tübingen, DE*)  
Bohmian Trajectories as the Foundation of Quantum Mechanics  
and Quantum Field Theory  
12:00–13:30 Lunch break

**Chair: Howard Wiseman**

- 13:30–14:15 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**  
Aephraim Steinberg (*University of Toronto, CA*)  
Experimental studies of quantum reality  
14:15–14:35 Chuan-Feng Li (*University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, CN*)  
Experiment on nonlocal steering of Bohmian trajectories  
14:35–15:05 Lev Vaidman (*Tel Aviv University, IL*)  
Are expectation values and weak values properties of single quantum systems?  
15:05–15:20 Coffee break  
15:20–15:50 Herman Batelaan (*University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA*)  
Quantum forces and non-dispersivity in the Aharonov-Bohm effect  
15:50–16:10 Peter Barker (*University College London, UK*)  
Weak Measurements of Atomic Momentum  
16:10–16:30 Robert Flack (*University College London, UK*)  
Observation of the weak value of spin using a metastable form of helium  
16:30–16:50 Markus Arndt (*University of Vienna, AT*)  
What quantum-interference assisted molecule metrology can tell us about  
reality and non-locality  
16:50–17:05 Coffee Break

**Chair: Robert Flack**

- 17:05–17:50 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**  
Matthew Leifer (*Chapman University, Orange, USA*)  
The Problem of Fine-Tuning in Quantum Theory  
17:50–18:20 Basil Hiley (*University of London, UK*)  
Aspects of Non-commutative Geometry: Deformation Quantum Mechanics  
18:20–18:50 Gerhard Grössing (*Austrian Institute for Nonlinear Studies, Vienna, AT*)  
Vacuum Landscaping: Cause of Nonlocal Influences without Signalling  
19:00–21:00 Poster Presentations, Dinner Buffet, Discussion

**Chair: Markus Arndt**

9:00–9:45

**KEYNOTE LECTURE**

Yakir Aharonov (*Tel Aviv University, IL, and Chapman University, Orange, USA*)

Finally making sense of the double-slit experiment

9:45–10:15

Jeff Tollaksen (*Chapman University, Orange, USA*)

A Completely Top-Down Hierarchical Structure in Quantum Mechanics

10:15–10:30

Coffee break

10:30–11:00

Nicolas Gisin (*University of Geneva, CH*)

Non-determinism in Newtonian mechanics and the classical “measurement” problem

11:00–11:20

Thomas Filk (*University of Freiburg, DE*)

A quantum ontology based on a relational notion of space

11:20–11:40

Ana María Cetto (*Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, MX*)

Quantum interconnectedness and induced nonlocality

11:40–12:00

Tim Palmer (*University of Oxford, UK*)

Does Bohmian Theory Have to Be Nonlocal? New Directions for Analysing the Bell Theorem

12:00–13:30

Lunch break

**Chair: Nicolas Gisin**

13:30-14:15

**KEYNOTE LECTURE**

Max Tegmark (*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA*)

Why quantum observers find lower entropy after observation and in our early universe?

14:15–14:45

Bei-Lok Hu (*University of Maryland, College Park, USA*)

Equivalence Principles for Quantum Systems

14:45–15:05

Ward Struyve (*University of Munich, DE*)

Must space-time be singular?

15:05–15:20

Coffee Break

**Chair: Jeff Tollaksen**

15:20–15:50

Anthony Aguirre (*University of California, Santa Cruz, USA*)

Observer-dependent entropy and the Second Law

15:50–16:10

Hans-Thomas Elze (*University of Pisa, IT*)

On the question of ontological states in simple (pre-)quantum models

16:10–16:30

Maurice de Gosson (*University of Vienna, AT*)

What happens to quantum states if Planck’s constant changes?

16:30–16:45

Coffee Break

16:45–17:30

**KEYNOTE LECTURE**

Tim Maudlin (*New York University, USA*)

Ontological Clarity, Electromagnetism and the Aharonov-Bohm Effect

from 17:30

Open Evening

**EmQM17 | Day 3: Saturday, October 28th 2017**

**Chair: Paavo Pylkkänen**

- 9:00–9:15 Paavo Pylkkänen and Jan Walleczek  
Introduction to Day Three of the EmQM17 Symposium
- 9:15–10:00 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**  
Huw Price (*University of Cambridge, UK*)  
Two Paths to the Parisian Zigzag
- 10:00–10:30 Kenneth Wharton (*San Jose State University, USA*)  
Live Options for Spacetime-Based Physics
- 10:30–10:45 Coffee Break
- 10:45–11:15 Emily Adlam (*University of Cambridge, UK*)  
A Tale of Two Anachronisms
- 11:15–11:35 Nathan Argaman (*Nuclear Research Center Negev, Beer Sheva, IL*)  
A Lenient Causal Arrow of Time?
- 11:35–12:00 Jan Walleczek (*Phenoscience Laboratories, Berlin, DE*)  
Nonlocality or Local Retrocausality? – The Non-signalling Theorem in  
Ontological Quantum Mechanics
- 12:00–13:30 Lunch Break

**Chair: Jan Walleczek**

- 13:30–14:15 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**  
Sir Roger Penrose (*University of Oxford, UK*)  
Space-Time Quantum Non-Locality: Does Palatial Twistor Theory Suggest  
an Objective Mathematical Framework?
- 14:15–14:45 Stuart Hameroff (*University of Arizona, Tucson, USA*)  
Anesthesia, Consciousness, Bohm and Penrose
- 14:45–15:15 Paavo Pylkkänen (*University of Helsinki, FI, and University of Skövde, SE*)  
The quantum potential – classical or something entirely new?
- 15:15–15:30 Coffee Break
- 15:30–16:00 William Seager (*University of Toronto, CA*)  
One or Many
- 16:00–16:20 Nikolaus von Stillfried (*Phenoscience Laboratories, Berlin, DE*)  
Does the wave function refer to the (proto)phenomenal? Exploring a  
radical hypothesis about consciousness based on a Bohm-type  
interpretation of quantum physics
- 16:20–16:40 Andrei Khrennikov (*Linnaeus University, Växjö, SE*)  
Bohmian model outside of physics
- 16:40–16:50 Anthony Aguirre, Max Tegmark, Jan Walleczek  
Foundational Questions Institute (FQXi) – Fetzer Franklin Fund (FFF)  
Joint Grant Awards Program Launch
- 16:50–17:00 Closing Ceremony and Book Announcement
- 19:00–23:00 Gala Dinner