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MAIN RESEARCH AREAS AND TOPICS

Phenomenology – Hermeneutics – Social Philosophy – Philosophy of the Environment – Philosophy of Food

EDUCATION

05/07/2019 PhD in Philosophy – EHESS of Paris (France) and Università degli Studi “G. d’Annunzio” of Chieti (Italy)

14/02/2014 Master of Philosophy – Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore of Milan (2012-2014), 110/110 cum laude

30/09/2011 Bachelor of Philosophy – Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore of Milan (2008-2012), 110/110 cum laude

CURRENT POSITION

Postdoctoral Researcher – Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS), Prague (01.01.2020-31.12.2022)

AWARDS, GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS OBTAINED

- EEA GRANT (2020-2021). Bilateral initiative between Czech Republic and Norway (OsloMET). (Research Team: Dr. Blanka Maderova, Dr. Eva Grigar, Dr. Ros) [522.000 CZK]
- Grant from the Strategy AV21, Czech Academy of Sciences, Research Program “Resilient Society for the 21st Century”, for the organization of two Workshops (Milan, Prague) in 2021 [98000CZK]
- Visiting Fellow Grant, Catholic University of Lublin, Lublin, Poland [12.000 CZK]
- Grant from Fond Ricœur (Paris) for the organization of a Workshop in 2022 [12.900 CZK]
- Postdoctoral Fellowship of the Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS), Prague (January 2020 – December 2022)
- Award for the *top graduate student paper* of the Society for Ricœur Studies (awarded at Boston College, Boston, MA, 2017) [5.500 CZK]
- Grant from the EHESS of Paris for the organization of a Summer Workshop (June 2018) [10.000 CZK]
- PhD scholarship grant of the Università degli Studi “G. d’Annunzio” of Chieti (Italy) (March 2015-March 2018)

LANGUAGES

Italian – mother tongue; English – Fluent; French – Fluent; German – Good; Spanish – Good

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Vendra, Maria Cristina Clorinda, “Paul Ricœur’s Phenomenological Diagnostic of the Body: Being Corporally Situated in the Socio-Historical World,” in: Savage, Roger (ed.), *Ricœur and the Lived Body* (Lanham: Lexington Books, 2020).

–, “Reshaping Social Justice: Paul Ricœur’s and Luc Boltanski’s Dialectic of Love and Justice in the Age of Globalization,” in: Dierckxsens, Geoffrey (ed.), *The Ambiguity of Justice: New Perspectives on Paul Ricœur’s Approach to Justice* (Boston/Leiden: Brill, 2020).

–, “L’esperienza linguistica del testo e della traduzione. Fondamenti per un’etica interculturale nel pensiero di Paul Ricœur,” in: Maurizio, Pagano and Luca, Ghisleri (eds.), *I Fondamenti dell’etica in prospettiva interculturale* (Brescia: Morcelliana 2018).

Peer reviewed journal articles

Vendra, Maria Cristina Clorinda, “I am Hungry, Therefore I am Paul Ricœur’s Hermeneutical Phenomenology as a Model for Food Existentialism,” *Philosophical Inquiries*. (Accepted and Forthcoming).

–, “Paul Ricœur and Alfred Schütz: Phenomenological Responses to Edmund Husserl’s Configuration of Social Reality,” *Iranian Journal of Phenomenology*. (Accepted and Forthcoming).

–, “Paul Ricœur on Social Imagination. Across Tradition and Innovation,” *Studia z Historii Filozofii* 12, 1 (2021): 77-96.

–, “Interpreting the Natural Environment. Paul Ricœur’s Directions for an Eco-Hermeneutic Phenomenology,”

Discipline Filosofiche 30, 2 (2020): 261-279.

–, “Paul Ricœur and Clifford Geertz. The Harmonic Dialogue between Hermeneutics and Cultural Anthropology,” *Études Ricœuriennes/Ricœur Studies* 11, 1 (2020): 125-140.

–, “Paul Ricœur on Collective Memory: the Cohesion of Social Life,” *Voluntas. Revista Internacional de Filosofía* 10, 3 (2019): 85-107. “Etica della responsabilità e relazione d’alterità. Hans Jonas e Paul Ricoeur in dialogo,” *Prospettiva Persona* 100, 1 (2017): 24-27.

–, “Giustizia: Cura, Salute, Disabilità. Ripensare la Giustizia secondo una Prospettiva Femminista,” *Itinerari* 1 (2016): 217-233.

–, “Between Fragility and Openness: Cohabitation in the Interreligious Dialogue with Paul Ricoeur,” *New Perspectives on Dialogue, Teoria*, 1 (2016): 115-130.

–, “Rencontrer soi-même dans le temps. Une étude sur la conception de l’identité personnelle chez Paul Ricoeur,” *In Circolo. Rivista di filosofia e culture* 1, 1 (2016): 1-14.

–, “Abitare l’Oikos. Per una continuità tra prossimi, soci e posteri: Hans Jonas e Paul Ricoeur in dialogo,” *Annuario Filosofico* 31, 1 (2015): 311-332.

–, “At the Margin of the Gift: Struggle for Recognition and Justice as “Complex Equality” in Paul Ricoeur’s Thought,” *Outramargem* 2, 1 (2015): 93-112.

–, “La relazione d’alterità e la libertà meta-conflittuale. Prospettive di Emmanuel Lévinas e di Paul Ricoeur,” *Lo Sguardo* 12, 1 (2013): 95-107.

Conferences and Workshops

List of invitations to present at established international conferences

1. Vendra, C. (2021), *Hungry Emotional Beings: From Perspective to Practice*, October 20, Workshop: *Healthy Eating. Utopia or a Contemporary Must?*, Oslo Metropolitan University, Oslo, Norway.

2. Vendra, C. (2021), *Embodiment and the Social Significance of Food in Times of Physical Distancing*, October 15, Workshop: *Hungry Emotional Beings I – Eating Environments and Emotional Eating*, Università Statale di Milano, Milano, Italy.

3. Vendra, C. (2021), *Reshaping Social Justice: Paul Ricœur and Luc Boltanski*, October 8, 15th Society for Ricœur Studies Conference, Toronto, Canada (Online).

4. Vendra, C. (2021), *Being-situated, Situating, Re-situating Ourselves in Nature. Thinking the ‘Ecological Self’ with Paul Ricœur*, October 2, *Imagined Natures, Philosophical and Anthropological Conference of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, BISLA, Katedra filozofie FF TU Trnava, Študijné a Kongresové Stredisko Univerzity Komenského, Modra, Slovakia.*

5. Vendra, C. (2021), *Paul Ricœur et Alfred Schütz : pour une Phénoménologie Sociale de la Mémoire Collective et du Temps Commun*, June 25, *Phénoménologie Sociale. Les Applications de la Méthode Phénoménologique*, Panthéon Sorbonne, Paris, France.

6. Vendra, C. (2021), *The Sweet Complex: Individual Desire or Social Need?*, April 28, Czech-Norwegian Conference EEA /Norway Grant Funds 2014-21, NC State University (European Center), Prague, Czech Republic (Online).

7. Vendra, C. (2021), *Du diagnostic du corp vécu à la dialectique de la faim et du manger. La phénoménologie de Paul Ricœur à l’égard de la philosophie de l’alimentation*, February 24, *Séminaire du Fonds Ricœur, Fonds Ricœur, Paris, France.*

8. Vendra, C. (2020). *Interaction with the Past and Openness toward the Future. Paul Ricœur and Jan Patočka at the Boundary of History and Historicity*, November 20-21, *Stories, Histories, Memories*, 7th Annual Liberal Herald Conference, BISLA, Bratislava, Slovakia (Online).

9. Vendra, C. (2020). *I am Hungry, Therefore I am. Paul Ricœur’s Hermeneutical Phenomenology as a Model for Food Existentialism*, November 19-21, *Ricœur as World Heritage*, International Conference, KU Leuven, Leuven, Belgium (Online).

10. Vendra, C. (2020). *Reconsidering Paul Ricœur’s Mediation in the Gadamer-Habermas Debate*, October 6-10, *Politics, Religion, and Cultural Hermeneutics*, 14th Society for Ricœur Studies Conference, Toronto, Canada (Online).

11. Vendra, C. (2019). *Paul Ricœur et l’enjeu de la mémoire collective : Au Croisement de la Phénoménologie Sociale et de l’Herméneutique*, December 12, *Séminaire du Fonds Ricœur, Fonds Ricœur, Paris, France.*

12. Vendra, C. (2019). *Paul Ricœur and Interactive Storytelling: Performing Narrative, Memory, and Imagination*, October 10-12, *Imagination and Hermeneutics*, 13th Society for Ricœur Studies Conference, McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

13. Vendra, C. (2018). *For an Immanent Critique of Social Memory. Reshaping Social Remembrance and Social Time with Paul Ricœur*, November 2-4, *Remembrance and Recognition*, 12th Society for Ricœur Studies Conference, University Mount St. Mary, Los Angeles, USA.

14. Vendra, C. (2018). *The Finiteness of Human Being’s Social-Historical Understanding – From Fallibility to Evil*, June 22, *Summer Workshop on Paul Ricœur’s Work, Fallible Man*, Fonds Ricœur, Paris, France.

15. Vendra, C. (2017). From Text to the Social Imaginary: Paul Ricœur across Tradition and Innovation, October 5-7, Phronesis, Faith, and the Task of Envisioning a Social Global Imaginary, Boston College and Boston University, Boston, USA.
16. Vendra, C. (2017). Integrative Ideology: From Semiotic to Practical Field. Paul Ricœur's and Clifford Geertz's Interpretative Understanding of Culture, June 25, Summer School on Paul Ricœur's work Lectures on Ideology and Utopia, Fonds Ricœur, Paris, Paris.
17. Vendra, C. (2017). The In-Between Space of Meeting: Co-habiting the Interreligious Dialogue with Paul Ricœur, May 27, II Congresso Lusofono de Cienca das Religioes: Historia, Memorias, Fundamentalismos e Revoluções, Universidade Lusofona, Lisbon, Portugal.
18. Vendra, C. (2017). Paul Ricœur et l'imaginaire social, May 15, Séminaire du Fonds Ricœur, Fonds Ricœur, Paris, France.
19. Vendra, C. (2016). Reconfiguring the Social Bond: Paul Ricoeur's Phenomenology of Imagination, Crossing Boundaries, October 6-9, Ricoeur in a Global Age, 10th Society for Ricoeur Studies conference, DePaul University of Chicago, USA.
20. Vendra, C. (2016). A Hermeneutical Reading of Social Theory, August 29-30, Rethinking Social Change, Barcelona, Spain.
21. Vendra, C. (2016). L'esperienza linguistica del testo e della traduzione, September 14-16, 61° Convegno della Fondazione Studi Filosofici di Gallarate, Università Avogadro, Vercelli, Italy.
22. Vendra, C. (2016). Rencontrer soi-même dans le temps. Une étude sur la conception de l'identité personnelle chez Paul Ricoeur, March 16-17, Conférence doctorale de l'Institut Catholique de Toulouse, Toulouse, France.
23. Vendra, C. (2015). Giustizia: cura, salute e disabilità. Una prospettiva femminista, October 22-24, Convegno Internazionale L'Europa e l'idea di giustizia – Crisi e sfida della globalizzazione, Università degli Studi "G. d'Annunzio", Chieti, Italy.
24. Vendra, C. (2015). Etica della responsabilità e relazione d'alterità: Hans Jonas e Paul Ricœur in dialogo. Verso un nuovo fondamento dell'etica, September 9-11, 60° Convegno della Fondazione Studi Filosofici di Gallarate, Università Avogadro, Vercelli, Italy.
25. Vendra, C. (2015). Hermeneutics and religious dialogue: rethinking the post-secular public space with and beyond Paul Ricœur, May 19-22, International Conference The Polyphony of Text and Life: Phenomenological Hermeneutics Ten Years after the Death of Paul Ricœur, International Institute for Hermeneutics, Jagellonian and University Ignatianum, Krakow, Poland.
26. Vendra, C. (2014). At the Margin of the Gift: the Struggle for Recognition and Justice as 'Complex Equality' in Paul Ricœur's thought, September 18-20, International Conference Paul Ricœur: Thinker of the Margins?, University of Antwerp, Belgium.
27. Vendra, C. (2014). L'affectivité au croisement de la phénoménologie et l'herméneutique, April 10, Workshop Fonds Ricœur, Séminaire du Fonds Ricœur, Fonds Ricœur, Paris, France.
28. Vendra, C. (2012). La relazione d'alterità e la libertà meta-conflittuale. Prospettive di Emmanuel Lévinas e di Paul Ricœur, September 24-27, International Conference Pensare altrimenti con Paul Ricœur, Università del Salento, Lecce, Italy.

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

- 2021 – Pres. Supervisor-Tutor for the Internship Philosophy of Responsible Eating (program Otevřená Věda), Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (2021).
- 2018 – 2019. Main organizer of the workshop "L'Imagination et le social," EHESS and Fonds Ricœur, Paris, France, 20 participants, one session each month.

RECENT PROJECTS

- Organizer of the Workshops Hungry Emotional Being I "Eating Environments and Emotional Eating" and Hungry Emotional Beings II "Systems, Spaces, and Theory". These workshops will be held in Milan (October 15th - Università Statale di Milano) and in Prague (November 19th - Institute of Philosophy) and are connected to the Strategy AV21 Czech Academy of Sciences – Research Program "Resilient Society for 21st Century"
- Organizer of the International Conference Paul Ricœur on Collective Identities. The Conference will be held in November 2021, University of Trier, Trier, Germany.
- Guest Editor for The Journal of French and Francophone Philosophy (2021) and Ricœur Studies (2021).

MEMBERSHIP IN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES AND IN EDITORIAL BOARDS (Selected)

- 2021 – Pres. Reviewer – East Asian Journal of Philosophy (China).
- 2021 – Pres. Reviewer – The Journal of French and Francophone Philosophy (USA).
- 2021 – Pres. Reviewer – Ricœur Studies (France – USA).
- 2020 – Pres. Affiliated Member – Culinary Mind: Centre for the Philosophy of Food, Milan, Italy.
- 2019 – Pres. Member of the CEMS (Centre d'étude des mouvements sociaux), EHESS, Paris.
- 2017 – Pres. Member of Board of Directors of the Association “Alumni Fonds Ricœur”, Paris, France.
- 2018 – Pres. Reviewer – Tropos. Journal of Hermeneutics and Philosophical Criticism (Italy).