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This workshop provides an opportunity to relate different variations of “authenticity” to each other. Both the relevance in everyday life and the analytical potential of concepts such as genuineness, truthfulness, credibility and immediacy will be discussed. Through this, the workshop discusses the strongly diverse and disparate uses of the notion of authenticity. Its revival concurs with the repeatedly declared “crises of representation” and the increasing irritations and insecurities over the “fakeness” of things that appear true or real. Does a world of simulacra, as postmodern positions argue, render the distinction between originals and copies irrelevant? This workshop moves beyond the purely theoretical implications of such reasoning and focuses on more practical aspects. Indeed, empirical research shows that questions of authenticity are not in decline, but rather becoming ever more relevant.

The workshop is open to all.

For more information:

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Friday

10:00 – 10:30

Welcome reception, registration

10:45 – 12:00

Funny Money.

**Zur Diabolik von Falschgeld zwischen
Konvention und Authentifizierung**

Dr. Il-Tschung Lim (Luzern)

12:00 – 13:15

**Die Touristische Suche
nach Authentischem**

Robert Schäfer (Magdeburg)

13:15 – 14:30

Lunch

14:30 – 15:45

**Proving Love: Deconstructing
Marriages of Convenience**

Dr. Tobias G. Eule (Bern)

15:45 – 17:00

Probing Affections: Internet-Dating
Kai Dröge

(Lausanne / Frankfurt am Main)

18:00

Conference Dinner

(please register in advance)

Saturday

10:00 – 11:15

**A structuralist-pragmaticist concept
of authenticity and the analysis of
contemporary, individuated values**

Manuel Franzmann
(Frankfurt am Main)

11:15 – 12:30

**More than just friends:
Authenticity and Art
in the Age of the Social**
Martin Fuller (Cambridge)

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch

13:30 – 14:45

Staging Authenticity
Immanuel Schipper (Zürich)

14:45 – 15:15

Break

15:15 – 16:30

**The Limits of Recognition:
Authenticity, Hybridity, Alterity**
Prof. Dr. Thomas Clavier (Bern)

16:30 – 18:00

Authenticity Without a True Self
Prof. Dr. Alessandro Ferrara (Rom)

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