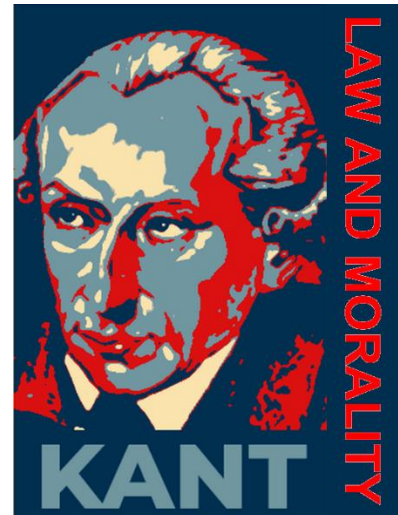


Law and Morality in Kant

International Conference

July 9th to 11th 2020

University of Göttingen



Call for Commentaries

How do law and morality relate to each other? Does legal philosophy merely apply general moral principles to particular circumstances which give rise to the need for law and its institutions? Or does law have its own kind of normativity that cannot be reduced to morals?

In current scholarship, Kant is often cited as holding the latter view according to which law is independent of morality, and some scholars consider this asserted independence of his legal philosophy from his moral philosophy and its metaphysical premises as the key for building on Kant in developing present-day accounts of law. But is such a separation of Kant's philosophy of law from central tenets developed in the *Groundwork* and the *Critique of Practical Reason* feasible, both exegetically and philosophically? From July 9th to 11th 2020 the international conference **Law and Morality in Kant** will address these questions about the normative foundations of Kant's legal philosophy and its relation to Kant's overall moral philosophy, confronting the most important positions regarding this topic, in order to explore and critically reflect on the strength and potential of the various interpretative accounts. The conference wants to bring together renowned experts who have already developed paradigmatic interpretations as well as young researchers who challenge these views and propose alternative accounts.

Therefore, the conference wants to reach out and to introduce fresh approaches to Kant's stand on law and morality. Therefore, we invite researchers working on these topics to give **commentaries on the papers presented at the conference**. Researchers interested in giving a comment are asked to submit a **short application by April 1st 2020** to law-and-morality@uni-goettingen.de

Your application should

- specify which talk(s) you would be interested to give a comment on
- briefly highlight your research interests and how they relate to the conference
- include a short academic CV

Applications by PhD students and postdocs are particularly welcome. We intend to provide (at least partial) funding.

For **further information** on the conference go to <http://www.uni-goettingen.de/de/619021.html>. If you have **any questions** please get in touch with us at law-and-morality@uni-goettingen.de.

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