Truth between logic and hermeneutics

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10pm-2pm
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The aim of the workshop is to stimulate a confrontation between recent theories of truth developed in logical and in hermeneutical perspective. Is there a connection between them? Are they still related to the traditional, Aristotelian account of truth? What are the possible upshots of both views for our common and philosophical use of the concept that J. L. Austin called the «old glory» of philosophy?

Hermeneutics and logic are traditionally considered different, and possibly incompatible, approaches to language and conceptuality. Yet, there are some family resemblances between them, especially as far as truth is concerned. For instance, in both perspectives, the concept of truth is expected to be weakened or deflated or substituted by other concepts, such as coherence, or accordance, or substitutivity. In both perspectives, truth seems to be an affair of language more than an affair of reality, and being. In a word, in both lines of thought the traditional pre-Kantian conception of truth is transformed and revised.

The workshop joins some well-known exponents of the different perspectives, trying to spur a dialogue between them.

Program

Chair: Günter Abel

10pm-10.15pm welcome (Günter Abel/Elena Ficara)

10.15pm-11.15pm
Gianni Vattimo (Torino)
Is There Any Hermeneutical Logic?

coffee

11.30pm-12.30pm
Jc Bea11 (University of Connecticut and University of Tasmania)
Truth and Truth According to X: remarks on truth, interpretation, and understanding

coffee

12.45-13.45pm
Franca D’Agostini (Torino/Milano)
Hermeneutics as a Part of Logic

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