

The Life Histories of Facts: Biographies, Cycles and Metamorphoses

Workshop
31/03-01/04 2008

Organised by
How Well Do 'Facts' Travel Project at LSE

Programme
MONDAY 31 MARCH 2008

Venue: *D109 in Clement House (on Aldwych)*

0930-1000 Coffee

1000-1130: Session 1: Biographies, life-cycles and metamorphoses

1000-1030 *Mary Morgan*

Welcome and Introduction to How Well Do 'Facts' Travel? Project

1030-1115 *Erika Mattila*

The Life Histories of 'Facts': Introducing the conceptual frame of the workshop

Chair: Mary Morgan

1115-1145: Break

1145-1230: Session 2: Lives of facts in modelled environments

1145-1230: *Kari Auranen and Tuija Leino*

Transmitting models from bacteria to viruses

Chair: Ed Ramsden

1230-1345: Lunch

1345-1515: Session 3: Traveller's tales

1345-1430: *Sarah Whatmore and Catharina Landström*

Manning's n – a fact packaged for travelling

1430-1515 *Lenny Smith*

Hard Facts Travel Light, But Fictions are Faster Still

Chair: Simona Valeriani

1515-1545 Afternoon tea

1545-1715: Session 4: Brainstorming and general discussion

Brainstorming led by Marcel Boumans

1900: Dinner at Cooper's Restaurant, Lincoln's Inns Fields

TUESDAY 1 APRIL 2008

Venue: *D109 in Clement House (on Aldwych)*

0930-1015: Session 5: Identifying facts

0930-1015: *Hans-Jörg Rheinberger*

From Traces to Data, from Data to Facts

Chair: Sabina Leonelli

1015-1045 Break

1045-1215: Session 6: Disciplining Facts

1045-1130: *Alberto Cambrosio*

Disciplining Facts: Institutions of Objectivity in the Field of Clinical Trials

1130-1215: *Helen Lambert*

Evidence as contagion? The evolution and spread of evidence-based medicine

Chair: Jon Adams

1215-1330 Lunch

1330-1500: Session 7: Facts 'In the Making'

1330-1415 *Olga Amsterdamska*

Making Autism Genetic

1415-1500: *Brian Rappert*

Getting Facts to Travel by Making them Secret; or Concealment as a Strategy for Revelation

Chair: Peter Howlett

1500-1530: Afternoon tea

1530-1700: Session 8: *Reflexive Closing Discussion*

Chaired by Mary Morgan
