

**24th Annual Gatherings in Biosemiotics**  
**17– 21 June 2024**

**VENUE: Modlec Room 6**

**Links for online attendance:**

Kalevi Kull Guest lecture on 17 June: Semaphylls, and other means of interspecies sign relations

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**Gatherings from 18 June onwards:**

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**Monday 17 June**

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC
15:45-16:00	Hosts	
16:00-16:30	Don Favareau	Introduction
16:30-17:30	Kalevi Kull	Semaphylls, and other means of interspecies sign relations
17:30-20:00	Cocktail event	

**Tuesday 18 June**

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC	In-person or online
09:30-09:45	Hosts	Welcoming and housekeeping	In-person
<b>Chair: Jannie Hofmeyr</b>			
09:45-10:15	Karel Kleisner	Worldwide Variation of Sexual Dimorphism in the Human Face: A Challenge for Biosemiotics?	In-person
10:15-10:45	Emiliano Vargas	Als in music and biosemiotics. Notes for a study from a media evolution perspective.	In-person
10:45-11:15	<b>Tea</b>		
11:15-11:45	Filip Jaroš	Animal Cultures and/or Anthropological Difference?	In-person
11:45-12:15	Ľudmila Bennett	In search of C space: Umberto Eco between dyadicity and interpretation	Online
12:15-13:15	<b>Lunch</b>		
<b>Chair: Wiida Fourie-Basson</b>			
13:15-13:45	Hugo F. Alrøe	Science as (bio)semiosis	Online
13:45-14:15	Jan-Hendrik S. Hofmeyr	The role of formal cause in biosemiotic processes	In-person

<b>14:15-15:45</b>	Panel Discussion: Biosemiotics and the Global South		
<b>15:45-16:15</b>	<b>Tea</b>		
<b>16:15-16:45</b>	Jaime F. Cárdenas-García	The Infoautopoietic Resemanticization of Anthropology	Online
<b>16:45-17:15</b>	Sergey Chebanov	What did biosemiotics give to biology and semiotics?	In-person

### Wednesday 19 June

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC	In-person or online
<b>Chair: Helen-Mary Cawood</b>			
<b>09:00-09:30</b>	Thorolf van Walsum	The Blinding Invasion	In-person
<b>09:30-10:00</b>	Joshua Augustus Bacigalupi	Split Innenwelten: Augmenting Self-regulation of Human Semiosis to Mitigate Existential Risk	Online
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<b>Tea</b>		
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	Emanuela Bove	Redefining 'food confusion': A biosemiotic approach to elucidating contemporary challenges in the identification of edible matter	Online
<b>11:00-11:30</b>	Arno L. Goudsmit	Situating code between proto-writing and proto-reading	Online
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
<b>Chair: Thorolf van Walsum</b>			
<b>12:30-13:00</b>	Kobus Marais	Translating innenwelt: The biosemiotics of art	In-person
<b>13:00-13:30</b>	Oscar Salvador Miyamoto Gómez	The anthropogenic disruption of episodic memory in animal societies	Online
<b>13:30-14:00</b>	<b>Tea</b>		
<b>14:00-14:30</b>	Victoria Alexander	Biosemiotics Responds to Transhumanism	Online
<b>14:30-15:00</b>	Camilo José Medina Ramírez	Butterflies as a model of false head biosemiotic analysis	Online
<b>15:00-15:30</b>	Don Favareau	Relevance, Choice, and Meaning: A Consideration of the Role of Active Inference in Biosemiotics	Online

### Thursday 20 June

TIME	SPEAKER	TOPIC	In-person or online
<b>Chair: Xany Jansen Van Vuuren</b>			
<b>09:00-09:30</b>	Nikolai Skipin	Allopatric speciation as a result of mutual evolution of interpretant and interpretation	In-person
<b>09:30-10:00</b>	Jana Švorcová	F. W. J. Schelling on Organism and Autopoiesis	In-person
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	Innocent Dande	A canine bio-semiotic history of the city of Harare, 1950s-1970s	In-person
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Tea</b>		
<b>11:30-11:30</b>	Kalevi Kull, Frederik Stjernfelt	Co-presence and Co-localization in the Umwelt: The Semiotic Window	In-person
<b>11:30-12:00</b>	Wiida Fourie-Basson, Louise du Toit	Making sense of our place in the world: in conversation with Pierre Hadot and eco-phenomenology	In-person
<b>12:00-13:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
<b>Chair: Kalevi Kull</b>			
<b>13:00-13:30</b>	<b>Tea</b>		
<b>13:30-14:00</b>	John H. Schumann	Exploring Predictive Processing from the Perspective of Semiosis	Online

<b>14:00-14:30</b>	Juan Alberto Bastard-Rico	The concept of Umwelt between Uexküll and Husserl: agreements and disagreements towards an ontology of life	Online
<b>14:30-16:00</b>	Panel Discussion: Biosemiotics, culture and agency – Led by Paul Cobley		
<b>17:30</b>	Conference dinner (transport will be provided from the conference venue to the dinner venue)		

### Friday 21 June

<b>TIME</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>In-person or online</b>
<b>Chair: Kobus Marais</b>			
<b>09:00-09:30</b>	Xany Jansen Van Vuuren	An ecosemiotic approach to translating animals into human thinking: a look at animal advocacy in the global South	In-person
<b>09:30-10:00</b>	Helen-Mary Cawood	Photography in the ecosphere: Hermeneutic reflections on the non-verbal translation of the 'veld'	In-person
<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<b>Tea</b>		
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	Morten Tønnessen	Applied Umwelt theory in the context of descriptive phenomenology and phenomenological triangulation	Online
<b>11:00-11:30</b>	Kalevi Kull	Natural contradictions	In-person
<b>11:30-12:00</b>	Ekaterina Velmezova	On the "Humanisation" of Language in the Categories of Biosemiotics: Jan Nieciślaw Baudouin de Courtenay	Online
<b>12:00-12:30</b>	Tim Ireland	bio-semiotic-logic: meaning and order	In-person
<b>12:30-13:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
<b>13:30-18:00</b>	Conference excursion (Leaving from the conference venue and returning to the conference venue)		

**Map of UFS campus:**

