

It is commonly known that the philosopher and jurist Johann Gottlieb Heineccius (1681 – 1741) was a figure of European significance not only in his own time but well into the 19th century. However, his many-sided and widely published work as well as his teaching in Halle, Franeker, Frankfurt/Oder and Halle again remains seriously under-explored, even though there are some notable specialist studies. The 2016 conference of the research network Natural Law 1625-1850 is devoted to a closer investigation of Heineccius. Focus of the discussion is his main natural-law work *Elementa iuris naturae et gentium* with its classical themes: the state of nature, property, domestic and political authority, theories of duty and of action, the concepts of happiness and of love. These themes will be contextualised in three dimensions. First, there are the relations internal to Heineccius's work as a whole, namely his considerable contributions to Roman and German jurisprudence and his purely philosophical works. Secondly, a number of contributions are concerned with his well-known predecessors, especially Grotius, Pufendorf and Leibniz; and thirdly, papers are devoted to Heineccius' reception from Scotland to Spain, from Russia to Brazil. The conference will thus give a broad picture of the theory and application of natural law after Pufendorf, before Kant and alongside Wolff.



The Natural Law Theory of
Johann Gottlieb Heineccius
(1681–1741)
and its Contexts

Love as the Principle of Natural Law

3rd Conference of the
International Research
Network 'Natural law
1625-1850' in
Halle (Saale)
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The conference will take place in the auditorium of the Christian-Wolff-Haus (Stadtmuseum Halle, 24.11. and 25.11.) and in the Interdisciplinary Centre for European Enlightenment Studies (IZEA, 26.11.)

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Thursday, 24.11.2016 (Christian-Wolff-Haus)

Introduction

09.00 – 09.15 **Knud Haakonssen** (Erfurt/St. Andrews), **Frank Grunert** (Halle): Love as the Principle of Natural Law.

Context I: Heineccius as an Academic Teacher, Lawyer and Philosopher

Chair: *Diethelm Klippel*

09.15 – 10.00 **Martin Kühnel** (Halle): Halle – Franeker – Frankfurt/O. – Halle: Heineccius' Laufbahn als Hochschullehrer.

10.00 – 10.45 **Frank Schäfer** (Freiburg i. Br.): Heineccius and the Foundation of German Legal History.

10.45 – 11.15 – Coffee break –

11.15 – 12.00 **Tilman Reppen** (Hamburg): Die Darstellung des römischen Rechts bei Heineccius.

12.00 – 12.45 **Frank Grunert** (Halle): Philosophy and Law. The Relationship between Heineccius' *Elementa philosophiae* and his Natural Law.

12.45 – 14.15 – Lunch –

Context II: Theoretical Predecessors, Sources

Chair: *Michael Seidler*

14.15 – 15.00 **Martin Mulsow** (Erfurt): Der junge Heineccius in Halle: Antiplatonismus und Römisches Recht.

15.00 – 15.45 **Mads Langballe Jensen** (London): Heineccius as commentator on Pufendorf's *De officio*.

15.45 – 16.15 – Coffee break –

16.15 – 17.00 **Matthias Armgardt** (Konstanz): Heineccius and Leibniz.

17.00 – 17.45 **Hans Blom** (Rotterdam, Warsaw): 'pro humani intellectus modo': Heineccius, Grotius on consensus and the role of history and philosophy in natural law.

Natural Law: Basic Concepts and Theoretical Consequences

Chair: *Fiammetta Palladini*

17.45 – 18.30 **Pärtel Piirimäe** (Tartu): The Turks and other Eastern Nations: J.G. Heineccius on Civilization and Natural Law.

20.00 – Dinner –

Friday, 25.11.2016 (Christian-Wolff-Haus)

09.00 – 09.45 **Dieter Hüning** (Trier): 'satis patet, hominum actiones et in statu naturali lege naturali regi' – Heineccius' Konzeption des Naturzustands im Kontext der Naturrechtstradition.

09.45 – 10.30

Kari Saastamoinen (Helsinki): Natural Equality in Heineccius' *Elementa iuris naturae et gentium*.

10.30 – 11.00 – Coffee break –

11.00 – 11.45

Matthias Kaufmann (Halle): Heineccius on the Original Acquisition of Property.

11.45 – 12.30

Danaë Simmermacher (Halle): Social Duties in the Law of Nations (*ius gentium*) of Johann Gottlieb Heineccius.

12.30 – 14.00 – Lunch –

Chair: *Peter Schröder*

14.00 – 14.45

Gideon Stiening (Köln): Die Staatslehre in Johann Gottlieb Heineccius' *Elementa iuris naturae et gentium*.

14.45 – 15.30

Simone Zurbuchen (Lausanne): The Justification of Authority in the domestic Society, or Family, in Heineccius' *Elementa iuris naturae et gentium*.

15.30 – 16.00 – Coffee break –

16.00 – 16.45

Katerina Mihaylova (Halle): 'Sapienti os in corde, stulto cor in ore esse' – Sprache und Sprachgebrauch im Naturrecht von Johann Gottlieb Heineccius.

Context III: European Reception

Chair: *Knud Haakonssen*

16.45 – 17.30

Laura Beck Varela (Madrid): 'Sectae enim Protestantium addictus'. Heineccius and His Catholic Readers.

17.30 – 18.15

Elisabetta Focchi Malaspina (Milan): Heineccius' Role in Italian Legal Education in the 18th and 19th Centuries.

18.15 – 19.30

Guided Tour: Heineccius at home. The Christian-Wolff-Haus in Halle.

20.00 – Dinner –

Saturday, 26.11.2016 (IZEA)

Chair: *Frank Grunert*

09.00 – 09.45

John Cairns (Edinburgh): The Reception and Rejection of J. G. Heineccius in the Teaching of Roman Law in Scotland.

09.45 – 10.30

Knud Haakonssen (Erfurt/St. Andrews): Natural Law and Republicanism: George Turnbull's English Translation of Heineccius.

10.30 – 11.00 – Coffee break –

11.00 – 11.45

Alexei Krouglov (Moskau): Die Rezeption von Heineccius in Russland.

11.45 – 13.00

Meeting of the 'Network Natural Law 1625-1850'.