

ECONOMICS AND THE HUMAN CONDITION:
BRIDGING THE PHILOSOPHICAL GAP

Dates: April 27–28, 2025

Venue: Mamaison Hotel Riverside Prague, Janáčkovo nábřeží 1115/15, Praha, 150 00
Conference Hall: 2 & 3

APRIL 27 (SUNDAY)

18:00–21:00

WELCOME RECEPTION AND DINNER

APRIL 28 (MONDAY)

9:30–11:00

SESSION 1

How Understanding Lack Unfolds the Philosophy of Economics

Discussion leader – PHILIP BOOTH

Readings

**Lack, Ontology, and the Ontology of Lack*, Naglis Kardelis

The Phenomenon of Lack: Being, Man and Community. A Synthesis of an Interdisciplinary Inquiry, Elena Leontjeva, Aneta Vainė, Marija Vyšniauskaitė

11:00–11:30

COFFEE BREAK

11:30–13:00

SESSION 2

The Anthropology of Exchange:
On the Fabric of Human Interaction

Discussion leader – SAULIUS MATULEVIČIUS

Readings

The Gift, Marcel Mauss

Introduction pages 1–9, Part I pages 10–23,
Part 4 Conclusion pages 83–107

13:00–14:00

LUNCH

14:00–15:30

SESSION 3

Scarcity and the Ontology of Money

Discussion leader – ELENA LEONTJEVA

Readings

Scarcity and the Ontological Roots of Money: Between Symbols and Functions, Elena Leontjeva

15:30–16:00

COFFEE BREAK

16:00–17:30

SESSION 4

Universal Basic Income and Social Experimentation with Reality

Discussion leader – ANETA VAINĖ

Readings

The Dangers of Social Experimentation with Reality: Philosophical Observations on Universal Basic Income, Naglis Kardelis

*All readings are hyperlinked.