



Department of Philosophy

RATIO/Centre for Cognition Research
Conference

March 21-22 2014

**Semantics and Science: what can
experimental work tell us about how
to model meaning?**

Friday, March 21

- 1:30-2:00 Registration & Coffee, Henley Business School, University of Reading. All talks will take place in Room G10.
- 2:00-3:30 **Kristen SYRETT** (Rutgers University, Linguistics and Cognitive Science): 'Experimental Investigation into Antecedent-Contained Deletion: Why Hard-to-Access Interpretations Really Aren't Ungrammatical'
- 3:30-3:45 Break
- 3:45-5:15 **Richard BREHENY** (University College London, Linguistics): 'Myths of Modularity'
- 5:15-5:45 Coffee Break
- 5:45-7:15 **John COLLINS** (University of East Anglia, Philosophy): 'The Syntax and Semantics of Generics: A Plea for Autonomy'
- 7:30-8:15 Drinks Reception
- 8:15- Dinner

Saturday, March 22

9:00-10:30 **Nat HANSEN** (University of Reading, Philosophy): 'Beating a Dead Donkey: Linguistic Experiments and Ordinary Language Philosophy' (written with Emmanuel Chemla)

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 **Bart GEURTS** (University of Nijmegen, Philosophy): 'Quantification and Typicality'.

12:45-1:30 Roundtable discussion

1:30- Buffet Lunch/end of conference

Conference organizers: Emma Borg and Nat Hansen

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