

# Programme 1st Annual IAS-STS Conference

**7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> June 2001, Graz**

Institute for Advanced Studies on Science, Technology and Society, Graz, Austria

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VT), Blacksburg, U.S.A.

Inter-University Research Centre for Technology, Work and Culture (IFZ), Graz, Austria

## **Programme**

### **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> June**

19:00 Welcome dinner-party, Hotel Gollner

### **Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> June**

9:00 -9:30

Introduction:

Arno Bammé, Director of the Institute for Advanced Studies on Science, Technology and Society

Maria Rentetzi, Doctorate Candidate in STS Program, VT and Fellow of the Institute for Advanced Studies on Science, Technology and Society.

#### **session 1**

chair: Ellen Balka

Methodology

9:30-10:15

Joseph Pitt:

The Dilemma of Case Studies; Toward a Heraclitian Philosophy of Science.

10:15-11:00

Richard Burian:

On the Value of Case Studies of Recent Science for the History and Philosophy of Science.

11:00-11:45

Aristides Baltas:

History and Philosophy of Science and STS: the Links.

*lunch break*

**session 2**

chair: Aristides Baltas

Philosophy of Technology

14:45-15:30

Vitaly Gorokhov:

Problems of Assessment of Scientific and Technological Development.

15:30-16:15

Günter Getzinger:

Technology and the Loss of the Tactile.

*coffee break*

**session 3**

chair: Ulrich Dolata

Technology Policy

16:45-17:30

David Mercer:

Institutional Ecologies and Scientific Method Discourses in Legal and Regulatory Settings.

17:30-18:15

Harald Rohracher:

User Participation in Environmental Innovations.

Friday, June 8

**session 1**

chair: Wilhelm Berger

Teaching STS

10:00-10:45

Ellen Balka:

Moving from Chaos to Socially Aware Technology Designs: Reflections on the Courtship of Theory and Praxis

10:45-11:30

Bernhard Wieser:

Public Understanding of Genetic Engineering

*coffee break*

session 2, chair:

Ernst Kotzmann

Panel-Discussion:

International Perspectives in Teaching STS: Experiences and Programs

12:00-13:30

Panel: Richard Burian, Joseph Pitt, David Mercer, Vitaly Gorokhov, Michalis Assimakopoulos, Bernhard Wieser, Ariella Vraneski

16:00

Excursion to the Styrian Vineyards