

## HANS BLUMENBERG SEMINAR

Convener: Audrey Borowski  
(Oxford)

The centenary of Hans  
Blumenberg's (1920–1996)  
birth provides an occasion to  
revisit some aspects of his life  
and thought.



All seminars take place on Mondays at 5 pm (UK time) on Zoom at:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89764748793>

**5 October:** Rüdiger Zill (Einstein Forum), author of *Der absolute Leser - Hans Blumenberg. Eine intellektuelle Biographie* (2020), in conversation with Nicholas Halmi (Oxford)

**12 October:** Jeffrey Barash (Amiens)

*The Power of Rhetoric. Hans Blumenberg, Ernst Cassirer and the Legacy of Herder*

**19 October:** Jean-Claude Monod (ENS)

*Rhetorical concept and platonic concept of politics - from Blumenberg to the 'post-truth era'*

**26 October:** Leif Weatherby (NYU)

*Illegitimate Intelligence: Hans Blumenberg and AI*

**2 November:** Angus Nicholls (QMUL) and Felix Heidenreich (Stuttgart)

*The Original Context and Contemporary Relevance of Hans Blumenberg's Präfiguration*

**9 November:** Paul Fleming (Cornell)

*Giving Pause: Blumenberg and Freud*

**16 November:** Hannes Bajohr (Basel), Florian Fuchs (Princeton), and Joe Kroll (Princeton), editors and translators of *History, Metaphors, Fables. A Hans Blumenberg Reader* (2020) in conversation with Nicholas Halmi (Oxford) and Audrey Borowski (Oxford)

**23 November:** Eva Geulen (ZfL and Humboldt-Universität Berlin)

*Blumenberg 'in the Horizon'*

**30 November:** Willem Styfhalls (Leuven)

*Hans Blumenberg's eschatology – On the Metaphor of the World's Doom*

**7 December:** Pini Ifergan (Bar-Ilan)

*Goethe and Philosophy? Blumenberg's version*