# Keeping in Touch

This is the ASFPG's third Newsletter. The website continues to expand its content. It is, as before at **www.asfpg.de** and has information on the Stiftung and the activities of its three centres since 2004.

#### Workshops

The Centre for Environmental and Technology Ethics ran its third workshop for doctoral students, 'Postnormal science and its ethical aspects: doctoral projects in the making' on 21st–23rd January, 2008. A similar workshop 'Critical Legal Theory? Postgraduate Projects in the Making', planned at the time of the last Newsletter was hosted by the Centre for Legal Theory on 21st to 23rd June, 2007. Glasgow, Kent and Warwick Universities participated in funding. We hope to continue these workshops in the future. The forum seems to be appreciated by the participant students and they contribute to the Stiftung's aim of furthering interdisciplinary research.

Two further workshops have been held this year. The Centre for Speculative Logic organised a workshop, 'Contributions to Contraction Free Logics' on 14th–16th. April 2008 and the Centre for Legal Theory ran 'Law, Violence and Colonialism II' on 9th–11th May, 2008. A further workshop on complexity my be run by the Centre for Environmental and Technology Ethics in autumn this year.

We thank all workshop participants. Photos from the workshops are on our website.

## Yearbook

The second volume of the ASFPG's yearbook *Dilemmata: Jahrbuch der ASFPG* was published in November 2007. 350 copies were distributed as previously to various university departments and to recipients of this Newsletter. Both Yearbooks are available in pdf format on our website. Individual contributions are separately downloadable.

Submission of manuscripts falling within the Stiftung's purpose of promoting interdisciplinary work in logic, philosophy, law, and environmental and technology ethics is invited. They may be sent electronically to **ulrike.horway@asfpg.de** and she will pass them on to the appropriate Board Members for consideration for publication.

If you did not receive a copy of the second issue and wish to receive a copy of the forthcoming one, please email Ulrike Horway as above including your postal address in the email.

### Grants and Stipends

The Centre for Speculative Logic at the Stiftung is continuing its support of a research project on 'Set Theory Without Contraction' within the Research Group for Theoretical Computer Science and Logic at the University of Bern, Switzerland.

We are pleased to note the forthcoming publication (early 2009) of Tarik Kochi, *The Other's War: Recognition and the Violence of Ethics* by Birkbeck Law Press. Dr Kochi held a stipend from the Stiftung for part of 2006.

Unfortunately, legislation on Stiftungen passed in 2007, while billed as promotional, has seriously weakened the financial situation of the ASFPG. It is for that reason no longer able to offer stipends to support the academic work of young scholars.

### Library

The library at the ASFPG now has a solid collection on mathematical logic with substantial number of classic proof theoretical texts. The collection has been classified (using Library of Congress classification) and continues to expand. The focus will be maintained, but with a philosophical second string and a small number of legal theory books, largely representing texts that have been discussed in workshops.

It is already a useful research library for the research and writing being done within the Stiftung. It is open to the use of other researchers.

## Your ideas and suggestions

Your ideas and suggestions on activities and projects that might be undertaken by the Stiftung are, as ever welcome. We are also open to making our premises and administrative assistance available for meetings or workshops within the Stiftung's ambit. Ideas, suggestions and requests for use of the premises should be sent to Ulrike Horway. She will pass them on to the appropriate person.

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