

**The title of the project:**

*Semantic and epistemological aspects of ostension: from demonstrating procedures to the exploitation of the context of utterance*

Description for the General Public

**[1] Research project objectives/Hypothesis**

Planned studies will focus on the following problem areas: the inquiry into the Fregean Theory of Demonstrating Procedures, the investigation of the token-encoding semantics for indexicals and demonstratives, the study of paradigm-use account of typical and untypical uses of indexicals and demonstratives. The possibility of building a theory of indexicality comprising all the approaches listed above will be investigated within the project.

**[2] Research methodology**

The following methods worked out by contemporary analytic philosophy will be used during the project: conceptual analysis combined with the use of formal tools and methods.

**[3] Expected impact of the research project on the development of science**

The project will contribute to better understanding of human mind, action and linguistic behavior. The problem of context-dependence belongs to the class of the most significant issues discussed in the contemporary analytic philosophy.