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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My current research interests are at the intersection of philosophy (special focus: action theory) and organization science (main themes: routines, micro-foundations, organizational flexibility, process management). I also have interests in the philosophy of psychology, philosophy of mind, action science, Polish praxiology, philosophy of the social sciences, and metaethics.

KEY PUBLICATIONS

- (2017a): *Tadeusz Kotarbiński's Action Theory – Reinterpretive Studies*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- (2017b): "Kotarbiński's praxiology and the analytic action theory" in *Praxiological Essays: Texts and Contexts*, Ed. W.W. Gasparski (pp. 101-113), New York: Routledge.
- (2016a): "Neil Roughley, Wanting and Intending. Elements of a Philosophy of Practical Mind, *Ethical Theory and Moral Practice*, DOI: 10.1007/s10677-016-9768-8.
- (2016b): "Intention Inertia and the Plasticity of Planning", *Philosophical Psychology*, 29(7): 1045-1056, DOI: 10.1080/09515089.2016.1213799.
- (2016c): "Reasons for Being Flexible. Desires, Intentions, and Plans" in *Desire – The Concept and Its Practical Context*, Ed. Timo Airaksinen (pp. 59-78), New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers.



(2015): "Praxiology meets Planning Theory of Intention" in *Reasons for Action and Praxiology*, Eds. P. Makowski, M. Bonecki, K. Nowak (pp. 43-71). New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers.

ONGOING AND RECENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

- "Tadeusz Kotarbiński's Action Theory", Kościuszko Foundation Fellowship, (UC Riverside);
- "Theories of Reasons for Action. A Possibility of Application to the Management Sciences"; Polish National Science Centre Grant UMO-2011/03/B/HS4/04162;
- "Practical Rationality: Contemporary Theories of Reasons for Action and Their Implications for the Conception of Prudential Reason", Fulbright Senior Advanced Research (UC Davis).

COLLABORATION

- Timo Airaksinen (Theory of Action, Praxiology), University of Helsinki, Finland;
- Christian Budnik & Gerhard Seel (Theory of Action), University of Bern, Switzerland;
- Mario De Caro (Theory of Action), Università degli Studi Roma Tre, Italy;
- David Copp (Ethics, Reasons for Action, Rationality), University of California, Davis, USA;
- Luca Ferrero (Theory of Action), University of California, Riverside, USA;
- Wojciech Gasparski (Praxiology), Kozminski University, Warsaw, Poland;
- Przemysław Hensel (Organization Science), University of Warsaw, Poland;
- Fritz J. McDonald (Metaethics), Oakland University, Rochester, MI, USA;
- Ranjan K. Panda (Ethics/Philosophy of Mind) Mumbai, India;
- Additionally, as the editor-in-chief of the Praxiology Series (Routledge) I collaborate with authors and guest editors from universities worldwide.

PROPOSED RESEARCH THEMES

Students interested in the philosophy of action, praxiology, pragmatism and topics at the intersection of organization science and philosophy are invited to submit their proposals. Priority will be given to the following themes (broadly conceived):

- Intentions and intentionality,
- Reasons for action and rationality,
- Automatic actions in philosophy, psychology and management science,
- Shared agency and cooperation,
- Action science,
- Pragmatism (history, contemporary approaches),
- Praxiology (history, contemporary approaches),



- Organization theory (routines, processes, change), and theoretical issues in organizational behavior.

EXPECTATIONS

I will be happy to supervise dissertations of candidates graduated in philosophy, management and economics. If you plan to write a thesis in philosophy, your interest in the analytic/pragmatic tradition or methodology is a must. If you want to prepare a dissertation at the intersection of management, organizations, economics and philosophy, a degree in management or economics will be a significant advantage.

Prospective candidates should have a record of conference/workshop presentations and at least one paper in a significant periodical (publications in English will be a plus). I give priority to candidates whose research record fits the proposed research themes.

If you want to write a doctoral thesis under my supervision, feel free to send me via email:

- brief description of your research proposal (2-5 pages),
- brief motivation letter,
- CV with contact details,
- your best publication.

After I read your documents, we will make an appointment. If you decide to have me as your advisor and your application is successful, you will be sure to have a competent and friendly advisor at every stage of your work on the PhD thesis at the Department of Philosophy, AMU (for more info about our doctoral studies look at: <http://filozofia.amu.edu.pl/studia-doktoranckie/>). It is our policy in the department that we help motivated PhD students with grant applications.

OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT ADVISOR

See: <http://pmakowski.com/>