Conceptual Engineering Online Seminar

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The **Conceptual Engineering Online Seminar** is co-organized by the Department of Philosophy at the University of Zurich and the Arché Research Centre at the University of St Andrews. The meetings take place every Tuesday at 3-5pm BST/4-6pm CEST from March 29 to June 28, for a total of 14 sessions.

SESSION #14 | June 28, 2022

KEVIN SCHARP (University of St Andrews) | "Replacing Philosophy"

Philosophy is, for the most part, the study of what have turned out to be inconsistent concepts. An inconsistent concept is one whose constitutive principles are inconsistent with reality. The idea that most concepts studied by philosophers are inconsistent suggests conceptual engineering ought to be a central philosophical methodology. That is, philosophers ought to focus more on identifying defects in our concepts and improving our conceptual schemes. I focus on explaining these central claims, exploring some examples, and replying to a few objections. In particular, I consider the "omnicide" objection, which states that conceptual engineering for one single concept or word causes, as a side effect, changes in *all* the rest.

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