



AI ASSERTION CONFERENCE

22–23 June 2025 | University of Graz
NIHAI Project
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Venue: IDea_Lab, Leechgasse 34, 8010 Graz (back entrance – walk around the building)

DAY 1 – Sunday, June 22

09:00 – 09:15 Registration

Morning Session (Chair: Miklos Kürthy)

09.15 – 10:00 Markus Kneer: Welcome & Projection Description

10:00 – 10:25 Iwan Williams: Chatbot Speech Acts: A Proto-Assertion Account

10.25 – 10:50 Kesavan Thanagopal: Talk is Cheap: Reframing Conversations Around LLMs

10:50 – 11.20 Morning Coffee Break

11:20 – 11:45 Sumin Oh: Attributing Assertion to AI: A Graded Approach

11:45 – 12:10 Neri Marsili: Rethinking Assertion in the Age of AI

12:10–12:50 Bertram Malle (Keynote): Conceptual Frameworks and Pertinent Findings for the AI Assertion Project

12:50 - 14:00 Lunch Break

Afternoon Session (Chair: Markus Christen)

14:00 – 14.30 Izabela Skoczen (NIHAI Team): Project Input Session

14.30 – 14:55 Juri Viehoff: Between Consenting Robots

14:55 – 15:20 Reto Gubelmann: On the Metaphysics Grounding the Very Idea of AI Testimony

15:20 – 15:50 Afternoon Coffee Break

15:50 – 16:30 Saskia Nagel (Keynote): Trusting Relationships? Human-AI Interaction in Medicine

16:30 – 17:10 Ophelia Deroy (Keynote): The Ambivalence of Human-AI Cooperation

17:10 – 19:00 Aperó Riche

DAY 2 – Monday, 23 June 2025

Morning Session (Chair: Markus Kneer)

09:15 – 09:55 Jean-François Bonnefon (Keynote): Delegation to Intelligent Agents Weakens Moral Judgment

09:55 – 10:20 Melina Tsapos: Bias Without Belief: Data on Assertion and Social Bias

10:20 – 10:45 Matt Jope: AI Assertion, Responsibility Gaps, and Epistemic Trespassing

10:45 – 11:15 Morning Coffee Break

11:15 – 11:45 Markus Christen (NIHAI PI): Project Input Session

11:45 – 12:10 Edgar Onea: A Linguistic Framework for AI Conversational Interfaces

12:10 – 12:50 Mark Alfano (Keynote): Slopaganda and Sloppy Epistemology in LLMs

12:50 — 13:50 Lunch Break

Afternoon Session (Chair: Iza Skoczen)

13:50 – 14:20 Mihaela Constantinescu (NIHAI PI): Project Input Session

14:20 – 14:55 Tiffany Ameline Zhu: How Should AI Talk About Us? LLMs and Social Groups

14:55 – 15:20 Viktoria Pammer-Schindler: Which Expertise Can an LLM Have?

15:20 – 15:50 Afternoon Coffee Break

15:50 – 16:15 Emilian Mihailov: WEIRD by Design: LLMs Prioritize Western Moral Judgments

16:15 – 16:55 Edouard Machery (Keynote): AI, Poetry, and Opacity

Practical Information Sheet

Location

IDea_Lab, Leechgasse 34, 8010 Graz

How to get there

The Idea_Lab can be reached via tram 1, 4, and 7; Bus 39, or bus 63 from the main train station and the city centre

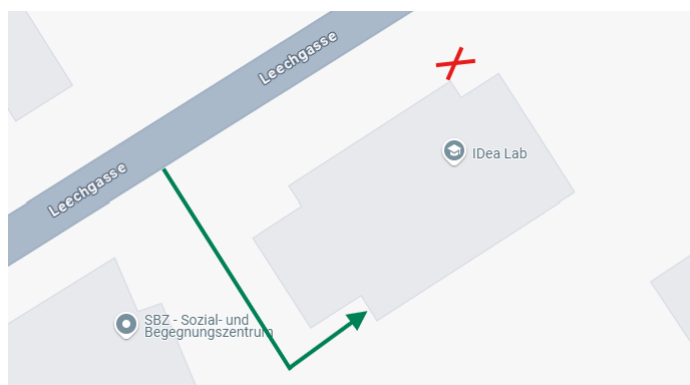
For public transportation (bus, tram) there is a 1h-ticket (€3.10) or 24h-ticket (€6,80). Tickets can be bought on the tram or bus.

For taxi from the airport, we recommend Uber as it is cheaper

In the city, Uber is not very reliable and can take a long time to arrive

Access to the building

On Sunday (the first day of the conference), please enter the building via the back garden, as indicated by the green arrow below, as the main entrance (red cross) will not be available:



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