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11:30 – 13:30 Antony Eagle (University of Adelaide): “**Domesticating
Metaphysical Indeterminacy**”

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RESUMEN: **Domesticating Metaphysical Indeterminacy**

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It is orthodoxy that indeterminacy as to whether just is imprecise representation. Some say the imprecision is semantic in some broad sense, in that our representational devices are not fashioned in any way that would allow a neat assignment of a single classical semantic value to each constituent of a representation. Others say the imprecision is epistemic – that while every representation is thoroughly classical, we do not and cannot know which representation is accurate with respect to whether or not .

The heterodox view is that indeterminacy is sometimes present even when imprecise representation is not. That means that, sometimes, there can be indeterminacy as part of a known-to-be-accurate classical representation. Label this kind of indeterminacy, metaphysical indeterminacy.

I will defend heterodoxy. But unlike other defenders of heterodoxy, who invoke various other heterodox views in their accounts of metaphysical indeterminacy, I want to defend it by showing a commitment to metaphysical indeterminacy arises from the translation, into the language of indeterminacy, of orthodoxies from elsewhere in metaphysics.