OBJECTIVES

- To explore how perception shapes reality through cognitive biases and individual perspectives.
- To investigate the relationship between thought and perceptual experience across disciplines.
- To analyze the influence of cultural, linguistic, and social factors on perception.
- To examine the boundaries between reality and illusion, including hallucinations and virtual experiences.
- To foster interdisciplinary dialogue on the mind-body connection and the nature of human experience.

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About the Conference

The Conference on "Thought, Perception, and Reality," brings together scholars, researchers, and practitioners from across cognitive science, philosophy, psychology, neuroscience, related disciplines to explore the intricate relationships between how we think, how we perceive the world, and how reality is constructed and understood.

The conference aims to foster dialogue between theoretical and empirical approaches, offering keynote lectures, panel discussions, and paper presentations that investigate both classical and cutting-edge issues related to the nature of consciousness, the construction of reality, embodied cognition, perception-action loops, and the cognitive mechanisms behind belief, illusion, and decision-making.

Participants will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful cross-disciplinary conversations and forge potential collaborations for future research projects. Whether you are a student, academic, or practitioner, this conference offers a platform to deepen your understanding of how thought and perception interact with and inform our sense of reality.

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Conference Subthemes
(including but not limited to):

- Cognition, Perception and Interpretation
- Knowledge, Belief, Skepticism
- Phenomenology of Reality
- Logic and Structure of Thought
- Ontology and Being
- Thought and Perceptual Disorders
- Learning, Memory, and Belief
- Psychology of Belief Formation
- Postmodernism and Reality
- Utopias, Dystopias, and Reality
- Surrealism and the Subconscious
- Memory, Self, and Constructed Realities
- Quantum Reality
- Relativity: Space and Time
- God, Consciousness, and Reality
- AI, Free Will, and Determinism

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