

## Hans Kilian-Vorlesung

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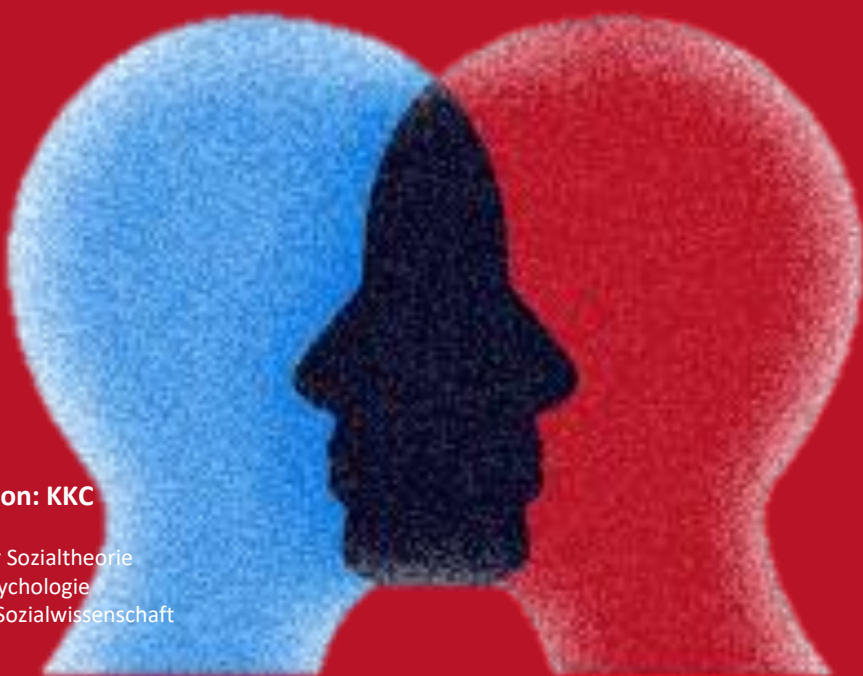
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### Dr. Leon S. Brenner

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### Against the Empathy-Altruism Hypothesis: Autistic Altruism and the Double Empathy Problem

The second decade of the 21st century has harbored a growing trend calling for empathy to be placed at the center of the debate on human psychology, society and culture. This lecture will challenge the 'empathy-altruism hypothesis' through the lens of autism: a syndrome commonly described as a disorder of empathy. The empathy-altruism hypothesis states that empathy produces psychological motivation to increase other people's welfare. By investigating the unique forms of the autistic disorder empathy, this lecture will raise question on empathy-based normative practices and their complex social and political implications.



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