Monday, April 4

8:00 a.m.  Registration

8:30 a.m.  Introductions
Robert J. Bernhard,
Professor of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering
and Vice President for Research

Welcome
Father John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., President,
University of Notre Dame

First Session: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Chair: Robert J. Bernhard,
Professor of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering
and Vice President for Research

9:00 a.m.  Moral Realism
 Franz von Kutschera, Universität Regensburg
(The author’s paper will be read by Mark W. Roche,
University of Notre Dame.)

Break

10:15 a.m.  What are the major changes in the history of our
moral principles?
 Jonathan Israel, School of Historical Studies,
Institute for Advanced Study

Break
11:30 a.m. What is Christianity’s contribution to ethics?  
*Jennifer Herdt, Yale University*

12:30 p.m. Lunch *(Donor’s Room, Morris Inn)*

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**Second Session: 2:00 to 5:30 p.m.**

*Chair:* Robert Audi,  
John A. O’Brien Professor of Philosophy  
and Professor of Management

2:00 p.m. Is there any logic in the history of ethics?  
*Vittorio Hösle, University of Notre Dame*

*Break*

3:15 p.m. What happens in our brain when we make a choice?  
*Camillo Padoa-Schioppa, Washington University in St. Louis*

*Break*

4:30 p.m. Why and when are values important for moral decisions?  
*Clive Seligman, University of Western Ontario*

6:00 p.m. Dinner *(Donor’s Room, Morris Inn)*

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Tuesday, April 5

First Session: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Chair: Boldizsár Jankó,
Professor of Theoretical Condensed Matter Physics
and Director, Institute for Theoretical Sciences

9:00 a.m. Why is there a moral imperative to engage in science?
Richard Ernst, ETH Zürich

Break

10:15 a.m. How can engineering contribute to a better world?
Peter Kilpatrick, University of Notre Dame

Break

11:30 a.m. Defining Goodness in Business and Economics
Georges Enderle, University of Notre Dame

12:30 p.m. Lunch (Donor’s Room, Morris Inn)

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Second Session: 2:00 to 5:30 p.m.

Chair: Donald P. Kommers,
Joseph and Elizabeth Robbie Professor of Political
Science and Professor of Law, Emeritus

2:00 p.m. What moral consequences does the environmental
crisis have?
Robin Attfield, Cardiff University
Break

3:15 p.m. What are the right politics for a developing country?
Luis Ernesto Derbez Bautista, Universidad de las Américas Puebla

Break

4:30 p.m. Good Law against War
Mary Ellen O’Connell, University of Notre Dame

5:30 p.m. Reception (McKenna Hall Atrium)
6:30 p.m. Dinner (Donor’s Room, Morris Inn)

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Wednesday, April 6

First Session: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Chair: Gretchen Reydams-Schils,
Professor and Chairperson, Program of Liberal Studies and Concurrent Professor of Philosophy and Theology

9:00 a.m. Is the world as such good? The problem of theodicy.
Markus Gabriel, University of Bonn

Break

10:15 a.m. Finding Goodness among the “Ought” and “Is” Debates about Stem Cell Research
Jane Maienschein, Arizona State University
11:30 a.m.  What are the main challenges of modern medicine in the 21st century?

*Anita L. Allen, University of Pennsylvania*

Break

12:30 p.m.  Lunch (*Donor’s Room, Morris Inn*)

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**Second Session: 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

*Chair:* Catherine Zuckert,
Reeves Dreux Professor of Political Science
and Editor-in-Chief of *The Review of Politics*

2:00 p.m.  The Constitution and the Goods of Religion

*Steven D. Smith, University of San Diego*

Break

3:15 p.m.  Summary and Discussion

*Vittorio Hösle, University of Notre Dame*

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