

## **End of SAP postdoctoral fellowship report.**

### **My initial SAP postdoctoral fellowship research proposal**

I received the award of SAP postdoctoral fellowship for the period January 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup> 2022. In my initial research proposal, I set out a plan of working towards the publication of two papers that form part of my project concerning the notion of an ally as it figures in contemporary social justice movements. The first paper that I planned to work towards publishing is called ‘What is an ally?’ in which I propose that account of allyship according to which it is a regrettably hierarchical relationship that holds between an advantaged individual and a disadvantaged group and is formed through a series of actions taken by the advantaged individual in a bid to contribute towards bringing that hierarchy to an end. The second paper that I planned to publish is called ‘Virtue Signalling to Signal Trustworthiness, Avoid Distrust, and Scaffold Self-trust’ in which I argue that virtue signalling often makes positive contributions to the achievement of social justice that are related to trustworthiness, the avoidance of distrust, and the achievement of self-trust.

### **Outcomes of my SAP postdoctoral fellowship**

I successfully published one of the two papers that I’d hoped to:

Tuckwell, W. (Forthcoming). ‘Virtue Signaling to Signal Trustworthiness, Avoid Distrust, and Scaffold Self-Trust’. *Social Epistemology*.

The second paper that I worked towards publishing during the fellowship is now under review:

Tuckwell, W. ‘What is an Ally?’. (Under Review).

In addition to working on the two papers that I had set out to in my initial research proposal, I also managed to write a draft of a further paper connected to the project:

Podosky, P.M.C. & Tuckwell, W. ‘From the Collective Obligations of Social Movements to the Individual Obligations of their Members’. (Invited contribution to an edited collection on the obligations of non-agent groups to be published with Springer).

I also gave two presentations of work connected to my allies project during my SAP postdoctoral fellowship:

‘Virtue Signaling to Signal Trustworthiness, Avoid Distrust, and Scaffold Self-trust’, Philosophy and Activism Seminar Series, Online, organized by David Killoren (Koç University) & Amy McKieran (Dickinson College), April 2022.

‘Virtue Signaling to Signal Trustworthiness, Avoid Distrust, and Scaffold Self-trust’, Trust in a Social and Digital Age Workshop, Australian National University, February 2022.

Finally, my SAP postdoctoral fellowship also gave me time to apply for longer term position within philosophy. I was offered two longer term postdoc position, one at University College Dublin and another at Charles Sturt University. I accepted the latter position which I started on July 25<sup>th</sup>. The title of the position is Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Future of the Professions Research Group.

All in all, my time as a SAP postdoctoral fellow was productive. I would like to take this opportunity to thank SAP for supporting my research and for helping me move onto the next stage in my career.