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### **Expertise and Knowledge by Acquaintance**

his talk examines dynamics in the opposition between expert and everyday understanding, including the cultural impact of decision-making and authority, populism and professionalized discourse, and prediction and certitude. Drawing on the Husserlian notion of measurement, Polanyi's approach to personal and tacit knowledge, and more recently, Collins and Evans reflections on the role of expertise, attention is placed on various examples in the natural and social sciences where experts influence contemporary life.