

HiAS Brown Bag Seminar #23

# Navigating authenticity and legitimacy in meaningful work

# Repair professionals' experiences in Finland



**Authenticity** (being true to oneself) and **legitimacy** (presenting as a competent professional) are closely related concepts central to management, yet their relationship remains unclear.

This paper investigates that relationship in the work of repair professionals, where stories embedded in objects of repair carry meaning. Based on interviews and observations, the study reveals that commercial, emotional and material elements influence how these two concepts interact.

**8 January 2026**  
Thursday | 12:40 - 13:40

Bring your own lunch. Coffee and snacks will be served.



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