

# DISCERNING BOUNDARIES

Philosophy across Cultures

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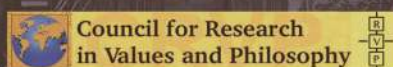
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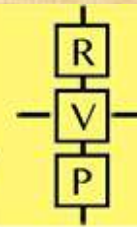
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# Council for Research in Values and Philosophy



Pre-World Congress of Philosophy Conference

## Discerning Boundaries: Philosophy across Cultures

July 29-31, 2024

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Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy  
The 25<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Philosophy, Rome, Italy

### Thematic Description

In conjunction with the 25th World Congress of Philosophy entitled “*Philosophy across Boundaries*” (Rome, August 1-8, 2024), the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy along with the CUA McLean Center for the Study of Culture will hold its pre-Congress conference on the theme of “Discerning Boundaries: Philosophy across Cultures.” The conference is under the auspices of Sapienza University of Rome in Rome, Italy and the 25th World Congress of Philosophy. It will be held at the Department of Philosophy (Villa Mirafiori, Via Carlo Fea 2), Sapienza University of Rome, Rome, Italy, July 29-31, 2024.

It has been a tradition for the Council to organize such pre-Congress conferences, for instance, in 1998 at Boston College “Philosophical Challenges and Opportunities of Globalization,” in 2003 at the University of Istanbul “Philosophical Challenges and Prospects of the Dialogue of Cultural Traditions,” in 2008 at the Soongsil University “Philosophy Emerging from Culture,” in 2013 at University of Athens “Culture and Philosophy as Ways of Life in Times of Global Changes,” and in 2018 at Shandong University “Re-Learning to Be Human for Global Times: Dialogue of Cultures and Civilizations.” The conference proceedings have been published respectively in the Council’s publication series “Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Change.”

What do boundaries mean from a philosophical perspective as well as in our lived experience? What kinds of boundaries are necessary and what not? How are we to discern boundaries (positive/negative) in our world and beyond? How is philosophy able to play its role in crossing boundaries, not only within the discipline of philosophy itself – different philosophical schools, traditions, ideas, etc. – but also with other disciplines – the social sciences, natural sciences, and so on? What are the relationships between philosophy and culture? Do we know the true meaning of philosophy and culture?

In order to answer these and other questions, it is necessary for philosophy as one of the humanities to continue to deepen and widen its range according to the circumstances of the times and to relearn its meaning and relevance in the ever-changing world. This requires philosophers and thinkers to work within the contemporary life of all peoples, cultures, and traditions to generate new visions of

philosophy. And this requires philosophy to embrace all aspects of the lifeworld – economics, socio-politics, culture, ecology, science and technology, etc. – so that philosophy can develop new inquiries into fundamental questions. Indeed, these philosophical investigations are significant in shaping human minds and hearts.

Although philosophical traditions, which are as old as humanity, are different, all have things in common. All peoples have developed their ways of thinking, acting, and being as well as their understandings of reality; accordingly each culture has produced its own thought and value systems and made its unique contribution to world philosophy as a whole, while being open to other philosophical traditions through dialogue and communication. As George F. McLean once stated: there is need for dramatically new ways of thinking in terms both of the whole in which all are related and of the responsive individual person by which values are shaped, freedom is exercised, and hope is generated. Dialogue that is global and universal—open and mutual—is necessary in the present intercultural context; such conversation, not clash, is the philosopher’s trade. Through such thinking what is personal can become more social, and what is global more humane; ethics can thereby be enriched by the cumulative cultural experience of many peoples, and civilizations can be more dialogical in an aesthetic context marked by harmony and beauty. This is the real challenge to philosophers in our day. Such a conversation is most urgent, practical, and filled with promise and can help understand the real meaning of philosophy and culture across boundaries.

In these complex times, the challenges have become ever more daunting and unprecedented, but opportunities are also plenty and foreseeable. In order to assure a better future, the role of philosophy becomes even more vital because philosophical wisdom can help humanity not only understand the meaning and purpose of existence, human and non-human, but also provide some guidance for our socio-political lives. If philosophy means “love of wisdom,” people who truly love philosophy should live up to its meaning and give up their philosophical prejudices so as to embrace as much as possible the given, with no artificial or man-made boundaries either conceptually/philosophically or physically.

In this light, the Pre-Congress conference intends to explore such issues as (1) the human person and politics: philosophizing socio-political meaning for the common good; (2) cultural and religious values: social imaginaries and human creativity; (3) openness to many others and multicultural and intercultural and interreligious harmony: engagement and encounters; (4) human transcendence in metaphysics and religions: hermeneutical transformations; (5) challenges and responsibilities to nature and science-technology: contesting human conditions; and (6) universal norms and cultural uniqueness: aesthetic and inter-disciplinary approaches. Accordingly, more specific topics will be allocated to different conference sessions. A detailed conference program will be constructed and updated.

The Council, as usual, invites all philosophers, scholars, thinkers of the world who are interested in the conference thematic to come together to share insights, ideas, and experiences.

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# Program

**July 29 (Monday)**

<p><b>9.00-9.30</b></p> <p><b>Opening Session</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Emidio Spinelli</b> Vice Rector, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy</p> <p><b>Luca Maria Scarantino</b> President, International Federation of Philosophical Societies (FISP)</p> <p><b>William Barbieri</b> Director, CUA McLean Center for the Study of Culture and Values, United States</p> <p>Moderator: <b>Hu Yeping</b> Council for Research in Values and Philosophy</p>
<p><b>9.30-11.00</b></p> <p><b>Panel I</b></p> <p><i>The In-Between of Boundaries: An Hermeneutical Perspective</i></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>William Desmond</b> (Villanova University, United States; Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium) <i>Boundaries, the Porosity of Being and Philosophizing in the Between: Must Hermes Remember Hestia, can Hestia allow Hermes?</i></p> <p><b>Raffaella Giovagnoli</b> (Pontifical Lateran University, Italy) <i>Normativity of Dialogue beyond Boundaries</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>João J. Vila-Chã</b> Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy</p>
<p><b>11.00-11.20</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee/Tea Break</b></p>
<p><b>11.20-13.00</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions (I-IV)</b></p> <p><i>The Meaning of Being Human and The Inquiry of Boundaries across Cultures</i></p>	<p><b>Parallel Session (I)</b> (Room: Aula I)</p> <p><b>Marco Antonio Azevedo</b> (University of Vale do Rio dos Sinos, Brazil) <i>The Four Basic Dimensions of Human Well-being</i></p> <p><b>Nicolas Masciopinto</b> (Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy) <i>The Authenticity of Existence: Care of Self and Parrhesia in Late Foucault's Thought</i></p> <p><b>Cholpon E. Alieva</b> (International University Ala-Too, Kyrgyzstan) <i>Cosmopolitan Philosophy of Chingiz Aitmatov: The Idea of "Religious Assembly"</i></p> <p><b>Varghese Manimala</b> (Vijnanam Institute of Philosophy and Religion, India) <i>Crossing of Borders for an Intersubjective and Proactive Existence: A Phenomenological and Contemporary Existential Approach</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Rosemary Jane Rizo Patron Boylan De Lerner</b> Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, Peru</p>



## Parallel Session (II)

(Room: Aula III)

### **Jove Jim Aguas**

(University of Santo Tomas, Philippines)

*Asian Shared Spirituality and the Spirit of Dialogue: Transcending the Boundaries of Religions*

### **Bogdana Todorova**

(Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria)

*Discerning Boundaries: Multiculturalist Discourse on Religion and Culture*

### **Tone Svetelj**

(Hellenic College and Boston College, United States)

*Nexus of Fear, Gnosticism, Dualism, and New Cultural Boundaries*

### **Corina Domnari**

(Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

*Immediacy vs. Conceptualization in Cross-Cultural Experience: Dilemmas, Boundaries, and Hermeneutical Challenges*

Moderator: **Asha Mukherjee**

Visva-Bharati University, India

## Parallel Session (III)

(Room: Aula V)

### **Jarosl aw Duraj**

(University of Saint Joseph, Macau, China)

*Transcending Boundaries: Buddhist Perspective on Global Ethics*

### **Terence Samuel Muthiah Pushpam**

(Visva-Bharati University, India)

*Boundaries Between External and Internal Forms of Colonialisms: Neo-Buddhist Readings of Ambedkar*

### **Ellara Omakaeva**

(Kalmyk State University, Russia)

*Buddhism as the Connecting Philosophical Thread of Our Times*

### **Sandip Chatterjee**

(Indian Bank, India)

*Discerning Boundaries in an Infinite Domain of Multiculturalism, Modernity and Identity: The Preaching of Vedanta and Experience of the Baul of Bengal*

Moderator: **Charles Kitima**

St. Augustine University, Tanzania

## Parallel Session (IV)

(Room: Aula X)

### **Ulrich Steinvorth**

(University of Hamburg, Germany)

*Saint Augustine crossing the Borders between Religion, Morality, and Politics*

### **Gail Presbey**

(University of Detroit Mercy, United States)

*Thoreau and Eastern Philosophy: Early American Philosophizing Across Boundaries*

	<p><b>Basia Nikiforova</b> (Lithuanian Culture Research Institute, Lithuania) <i>A New Vocabulary of the Border as the Possibility for Dialogue</i></p> <p><b>Dan Chițoiu</b> (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania) <i>Artifacts Role in Crossing Cultural Boundaries and Meaningful Intercultural Encounter</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Pavol Dancák</b> University of Prešov, Slovakia</p>
<p><b>13.00-14.30</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch Break</b></p>
<p><b>14.30-16.00</b></p> <p><b>Panel II</b></p> <p><b>Understanding Boundaries across Traditions</b></p> <p>(Room Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Pavo Barisics</b> (University of Zagreb, Croatia) <i>Philosophy Transcends Boundaries in Defence of Human Dignity: Georgius Benignus' Apologies of Bessarion, Mirandola, Savonarola and Reuchlin</i></p> <p><b>Chae Young Kim</b> (Sogang University, South Korea) <i>A Lonerganian Sketch of Seon Master Daehaeng's Heart: Rhythms and Patterns</i></p> <p><b>Abdul Rashid</b> (University of Karachi, Pakistan) <i>Ghazali's Concept of Philosophy, Across Culture with Reference to Religion: Discerning Boundaries</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Gail Presbey</b> University of Detroit Mercy, United States</p>
<p><b>16.00-16.20</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee/Tea Break</b></p>
<p><b>16.20-18.00</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions (V-VII)</b></p> <p><b>Borders and Boundaries in Nations and Cultures</b></p>	<p><b>Parallel Session (V)</b> (Room: Aula I)</p> <p><b>Abdelmadjid Amrani</b> (University of Batna I, Algeria) <i>Idealism on Jean-Paul Sartre's Position towards the Algerian Revolution: 1954-1962</i></p> <p><b>Rustem Kadyrzhanov</b> (National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kazakhstan) <i>National Imagination and the Emergence of Kazakh Nation</i></p> <p><b>Ouyang Kang</b> (Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China) <i>New Globalization, Chinese Modernization and the Construction of a Community with a Shared Future for Humankind: Isolation and Transcendence in the Unprecedented Great Change of the World in a Century</i></p> <p><b>Mamuka Dolidze</b> (Tbilisi State University, Georgia) <i>Motherland – Georgia</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Müfit Selim Saruhan</b> Ankara University, Turkey</p>

## Parallel Session (VI)

(Room: Aula III)

### **Maria Sozopoulou**

(National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece)

*The Theory of Communism in Ancient Greek Political Thought*

### **P.K. Pokker**

(Calicut University, India)

*Western Influence in Converting Caste based Kerala with Reference to Literature*

### **Abdul Wahab Suri**

(University of Karachi, Pakistan)

*The Inundation of Legal/illegal Migrants toward Europe from Post-colonial Societies: The Trajectory of De-territorialization to Re-territorialization in the Realm of New-Leviathan*

### **Sukla Chatterjee**

(Derozio Memorial College, West Bengal State University, India)

*Labour Migration: A Bridge over Cultures, Philosophies and Societies*

Moderator: **Mihaela Alexandra Pop**

University of Bucharest, Romania

## Parallel Session (VII)

(Room: Aula V)

### **Paweł Plichta**

(Jagiellonian University, Poland)

*Boundaries in the Experience of the Camino de Santiago*

### **Anna Matuchniak-Mystkowska**

(Instytut Socjologii Uniwersytet Łódzki, Poland)

*Art Transcends Boundaries: On Dialogical Functions of Art*

### **Tadeusz Kowalewski**

(University of Lomza, Poland)

*Bridging Cultural Boundaries in Social Work Practice*

### **Waldemar Świątkowski**

(University of Lomza, Poland)

*Kantian Cosmopolitanism in the Process of Europeanization. Its Criticism in the Thought of August Cieszkowski's Philosophy*

Moderator: **Michał Reka**

Institute of John Paul II, Poland

### **Jagiellonian Ideas toward Modern Challenges**

18.00-19.00

### **Symposium I**

### **Philosophy across Boundaries**

(Room: Aula VI, online)

### **Charles Taylor**

McGill University, Canada

Moderator: **William Barbieri**

CUA McLean Center for the Study of Culture and Values, United States

## July 30 (Tuesday)

<p><b>9.00-10.40</b></p> <p><b>Panel III</b></p> <p><b>Religion and Spirituality: Looking beyond Cultural Boundaries</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Tomáš Halík</b> (Charles University, Czech) <i>Religion as a "New Hermeneutics": The Contemplative Approach and Its Therapeutic Significance</i></p> <p><b>Catherine Cornille</b> (Boston College, United States) <i>Crossing Philosophical Boundaries in Comparative Theology</i></p> <p><b>Huang Yong</b> (The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China) <i>Intercultural Hermeneutics: Understanding Others as (Well as) They Understand Themselves</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Peter Jonkers</b> Tilburg University, Netherland</p>
<p><b>10.40-11.00</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee/Tea Break</b></p>
<p><b>11.00-12.40</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions (VIII-XI)</b></p> <p><b>Bridging Ideas through Communication</b></p>	<p><b>Parallel Session (VIII)</b> (Room: Aula I)</p> <p><b>Ana Lucía Montoya Jaramillo</b> (Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy) <i>Forgiveness and Mastering the Course of Time in Paul Ricoeur: An Exercise in Discernment</i></p> <p><b>Abdul Latif Mondal</b> (Karim City College, Kolhan University, India) <i>Breaking down the Barriers and Plato's Cave Analogy: Relevance in the Present Era</i></p> <p><b>Chen-Yu Ko</b> (Academia Sinica, Taiwan; Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany) <i>Ethical Life (Sittlichkeit) as pre-political Support for liberal Democracy: A Political-theoretical Comparison between Ernst-Wolfgang Böckenförde, Mou Zongsan (牟宗三) and Chen Ming (陳明)</i></p> <p><b>Prakriti Mukherjee</b> (University of Macau, Macau, China) <i>The Essence of Humanity: Interpreting Nationalist Views of Zhang Taiyan and Rabindranath Tagore</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Marco Antonio Azevedo</b> University of Vale do Rio dos Sinos, Brazil</p>
	<p><b>Parallel Session (IX)</b> (Room: Aula III)</p> <p><b>Pablo López López</b> (Department of Philosophy, Spain) <i>Philosophy within Cultures and Cultures within Philosophies</i></p> <p><b>Sofia G. Simitzi</b> (H. M. of Education University, University of Ioannina Ioannina, Greece) <i>Overcoming Western Modernity across Cultures: On the Edge of Philosophical Experience</i></p>



**Chidella Upendra**

(Indian Institute of Technology Indore, India)  
*Philosophy as a Humanistic Discipline, Again*

**Aidar Amrebayev**

(National Academy of Sciences, Kazakhstan)  
*What Is the Significance of Cross-Cultural Communications in Kazakhstan's Quest for Its Own Model of National Identity?*

Moderator: **Md. Sirajul Islam**  
Visva-Bharati University, India

**Parallel Session (X)**

(Room: Aula V)

**Marcus Boeira**

(Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil)  
*Possible Worlds, Contingency and Human Acts: Counterfactual Reasoning as a Tool for Social Control*

**Carmen Cozma**

(Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)  
*Metaphorical Conceptualization: Interweaving Philosophy of Mysteries' Revelation and Phenomenology of Life*

**Asha Mukherjee**

(Visva-Bharati University, India)  
*Philosophy Unbounded: Women Philosophers in Modern India*

**Tsai Wei-Ding**

(National Chengchi University, Taiwan)  
*Gadamer on Health*

Moderator: **Yvonne Dohna Schlobitten**  
Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy

**Parallel Session (XI)**

(Room: Aula X)

**Irina Chudovska**

(European University in Kiev, Ukraine)  
*Sociocultural Dynamics during the War: Ukraine-Poland*

**Marcin Zarzecki**

(Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Poland)  
*Semantics of Subjectivity And Antisubjectivity in Politics*

**Sylwia Jaskuła**

(University of Lomza, Poland)  
*In Search of Dialogue in Modern Educational Space*

**Agnieszka Muzyk**

(University of Lomza, Poland)  
*Intercultural Policy in the School Education System*

Moderator: **Jarosław Duraj**  
University of Saint Joseph, Macau, China

**Jagiellonian Ideas  
toward Modern  
Challenges**

<p><b>12.40-14.00</b></p>	<p><b>Lunch Break</b></p>
<p><b>14.00-15.40</b></p> <p><b>Panel IV</b></p> <p><b>Faith in a Secular Age</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Irene Kajon</b> (Sapienza University, Rome) <i>God as the Infinite: Martin Buber's Interpretation of Kant's Concept of Religion</i></p> <p><b>Herta Nagl-Docekal</b> (University of Vienna, Austria) <i>Re-considering the Distinction between Atheists and Believers, or: Max Horkheimer's Reading of Kant</i></p> <p><b>Ludwig Nagl</b> (University of Vienna, Austria) <i>Beyond Dogmatic Scientism: Hilary Putnam on Religious Faith</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>William Sweet</b> St Francis Xavier University, Canada</p>
<p><b>15.40-16.00</b></p>	<p><b>Coffee/Tea Break</b></p>
<p><b>16.00-17.40</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions (XII-XIV)</b></p> <p><b>Conflict, Tolerance, and Peace: Philosophical and Aesthetics</b></p>	<p><b>Parallel Session (XII)</b> (Room: Aula I)</p> <p><b>Peter Jonkers</b> (Tilburg University, Netherlands) <i>Tolerance, Intolerance, and the Challenge of the Intolerable</i></p> <p><b>Edward Demenchonok</b> (Fort Valley State University, United States) <i>Russian Philosophy on Intercultural Dialogue in a Multipolar World</i></p> <p><b>Müfit Selim Saruhan</b> (Ankara University, Turkey) <i>Our Need for the Culture of Peace and Tolerance Provided by Philosophy</i></p> <p><b>Martin Lu</b> (Bond University, Australia) <i>Understanding Religions across Cultures</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Bogdana Todorova</b> Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria</p>
	<p><b>Parallel Session (XIII)</b> (Room: Aula III)</p> <p><b>Mihaela Alexandra Pop</b> (University of Bucharest, Romania) <i>Philosophical Concepts and Artistic Individual Expression, Constantin Brâncuși: The Complex of Târgu-Jiu</i></p> <p><b>Yvonne Dohna Schlobitten</b> (Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy) <i>Spiritual Aesthetics: Encounter in a Sacred Space – A Christian Seeing</i></p> <p><b>Mary Christine Ugobi-Onyemere</b> (Dominican University, Nigeria) <i>Cultivating Empathy: Exploring its Ontological Aesthetic Value across Cultures</i></p>

**Zhyldyz Amrebayeva**

(Al Farabi Kazakh National University, Kazakhstan)

*The Concept of "Hunting" in Yusuf Balasaguni's Book "Blessed Knowledge"*

Moderator: **Jove Jim Aguas**

University of Santo Tomas, Philippine

**Parallel Session (XIV)**

(Room: Aula V)

**Wilhelm Dancă**

(University of Bucharest, Romania)

*If You Want Peace, Prepare Not for War but for Peace! A Few Steps in Building Peace Today*

**Marta Turkot-Piesik**

(Warsaw School of Economics, Poland)

*Boundary as a Philosophical Category in the Process of Defining the Common Good: Analysis of Selected Concepts of Geopolitical Order in Eastern Europe on the Example of NATO's Eastern Flank in Poland*

**Pavol Dancák**

(University of Prešov, Slovakia)

*Inter Arma Silent Musae or Culture Versus Mass Culture in Times of War*

**Zairu Nisha**

(Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, India)

*The Desirability of Peace and Inevitability of War: Some Existentialist Moral Considerations*

Moderator: **Dan Chițoiu**

Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Parallel Session (XV)**

(Room: Aula X)

**Thomas Menampampil**

(Assam Don Bosco University, India)

*Facing The Challenges in Multicultural Societies*

**Charles Kitima**

(St. Augustine University, Tanzania)

*Values-Based Global Governance*

**Olga A, Burukina**

University of Business Innovation and Sustainability (Online Teaching)

*Patriotism as an Axiomatic Value*

**Chen Gang**

Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China

*Kuhn's Question and Jiang's Answer*

Moderator: **Tsai Wei-Ding**

(National Chengchi University, Taiwan)

**17.40-18.00**

**Coffee/Tea Break**



<p><b>18.00-19.00</b></p> <p><b>Symposium II</b></p> <p><b>Challenges and Opportunities of Scientific-Technological Innovations</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Luisa Damiano</b> (IULM University, Italy) <i>Social Robots: Challenges and Opportunities (From an Epistemological Point of View)</i></p> <p><b>Riccardo Pozzo</b> (Tor Vergata University of Rome, Italy) <i>Teilhard's Cosmic Liturgy: Biosphere and Noosphere</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>João J. Vila-Chã</b> Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy</p>
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## July 31 (Wednesday)

<p><b>9.00-10.30</b></p> <p><b>Panel V</b></p> <p><b>Nation-States and Democratic Values</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Miguel Giusti</b> (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, Peru) <i>The Cultural Boundaries of Human Rights</i></p> <p><b>Zurab Tchiaberashvili</b> (Ilia State University, Georgia) <i>Can We Have New Westphalia</i></p> <p><b>Li Yong</b> (Wuhan University, China) <i>Democracy across all Cultures: Between Confucianism and Democracy</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>William Sweet</b> St Francis Xavier University, Canada</p>
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**10.30-11.00**

**Coffee/Tea Break**

<p><b>11.00-12.40</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Sessions (XV-XVIII)</b></p> <p><b>Freedom, Challenges of Multiculturality and Eco-Technologies</b></p>	<p><b>Parallel Session (XVI)</b> (Room: Aula I)</p>
	<p><b>Giorgio Verola</b> (Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy) <i>The Closed Future and the Theory of Causality in Kant</i></p> <p><b>Anish Chakravarty</b> (Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi, India) <i>The Question of Religious and Moral Freedom in Spinoza's Philosophical System</i></p> <p><b>Mohammadreza Shahidipak</b> (Islamic Azad university Central Tehran Branch, Iran) <i>Socrates and Borderless Nature of Philosophy as a Means of Breaking Down Boundaries of Divergence</i></p> <p><b>Chrysoula Gitsoulis</b> (City College, City University New York, United States) <i>Socrates and Dr. Martin Luther King on the Relationship between the Individual and the State</i></p> <p><b>Robert Elliott Allinson</b> Soka University of America, United States <i>Transcending Boundaries: Compassion as the Essence of the Human Species</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Mary Christine Ugobi-Onyemere</b> Dominican University, Nigeria</p>

## Parallel Session (XVII)

(Room: Aula III)

### **Md. Sirajul Islam**

(Visva-Bharati University, India)

*Sufi Notion of Nature and Environment: Challenges and Responsibilities*

### **Martha Beck**

(Lyon College, United States)

*Creating a Model of Education for a Sustainable Future*

### **Kim Bernard Fajardo + Daniel Joseph U. Caasi**

(Polytechnic University of the Philippines, Philippines)

*Navigating Indigenous Narratives in the Philippines: A Media Analysis of Aeta and Igorot Cultures within the Interplay of Nature, Science-Technology, and Cultural Uniqueness*

### **Megi Popova**

(Sofia University, Bulgaria)

*Overcoming Nature-Culture Distinction as a Theoretical Ground for an Ecological Politics of Responsibility*

Moderator: **Ouyang Kang**

Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China

## Parallel Session (XVIII)

(Room: Aula V)

### **William Sweet**

(St Francis Xavier University, Canada)

*Borders, Hospitality, and Cultural Identity*

### **Jānis (John) Tāivaldis Ozoliņš**

(University of Divinity/University of Notre Dame Australia, Australia)

*When the Welcome Mat Wears Out: Constraints on Immigration*

### **Rosemary Jane Rizo Patron Boylan De Lerner**

(Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, Peru)

*Phenomenological Reflections on the Conditions of Cultural and Ideological Encounters and Conflicts*

### **Gabriele D'Amico**

(Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy)

*Faith Across Cultures: Facing the Challenges of Cultural Relativity to Contemporary Human Rights Discourse*

Moderator: **Tone Svetelj**

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## Parallel Session (XIX)

(Room: Aula X)

### **Ugochukwu Stophynus Anyanwu**

(Pontifical Gregorian University, Italy)

*Gernot Böhme and the Problem of Invasive Technologies: Some Philosophical Considerations*

### **Michal Reka**

(Institute of John Paul II, Poland)

*Transcendence of the Person through Values and Solidarity and the Utopian Project of Transhumanism*

	<p><b>Mohamed Suleiman</b> Sohag University, Sohag, Egypt <i>Spiritual Values of the Christian-Islamic Interreligious Dialogue in the Practical Mysticism of Francis of Assisi</i></p> <p><b>Jayprakash Show</b> Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur, India <i>Narrative Self and Cultural Context</i></p> <p><b>Thummapudi Bharathi</b> S.P. Mahila University, India <i>Malice towards the Marginalized in India: A Critique</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Wilhelm Dancă</b> University of Bucharest, Romania</p>
<b>12.40-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<p><b>14.00-15.30</b></p> <p><b>Panel VI</b></p> <p><b>Nature and Culture</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Workineh Kelbessa</b> (Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia) <i>In Defence of Grounding Environmental Ethics on Indigenous Values</i></p> <p><b>Balaganapathi Devarakonda</b> (Delhi University, India) <i>Action is Nonaction: Environmental Crisis</i></p> <p><b>Luiz Rohden</b> (University of Vale do Rio dos Sinos, Brazil) <i>Hermeneutics and Ecology: Changing Values and Environmental Responsibility</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Jānis (John) Tāivaldis Ozoliņš</b> University of Divinity/University of Notre Dame Australia, Australia</p>
<b>15.30-16.00</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea Break</b>
<p><b>16.00-17.30</b></p> <p><b>Symposium III</b></p> <p><b>Jagiellonian Ideas toward Modern Challenges</b></p> <p>(Room: Aula VI)</p>	<p><b>Volodymyr Yevtukh</b> (Mykhailo Dragomanov Ukrainian State University, Ukraine) <i>Cultural Heritage under the Threat: New Challenges and New Opportunities for Intercultural Communication: The Case of Borodyanka and Ivankiv in Ukraine</i></p> <p><b>Anna Walulik</b> (University Ignatianum, Poland) <i>Gospel Values in the Thought of Paul Włodkowiec</i></p> <p><b>M.A. Wojciech Kaczmarczyk</b> (Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Poland) <i>Civil Society: A Manifestation of the Cultural Legacy of Jagiellonian Ideas in the Modern World</i></p> <p>Moderator: <b>Leszek Korporowicz</b> Jagiellonian University, Poland</p>
<b>17.30-17.50</b>	<b>Concluding Session</b>

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(1) The pre-WCP conference is going to be held at the Department of Philosophy, Sapienza University of Rome: Villa Mirafiori, Via Carlo Fea, 2 (ingresso attuale), Via Nomentana, 118 (ingresso storico), Roma, Italy. (2) In parallel sessions, each speaker will have 20 minutes for presentation; after all presentations, 20 minutes will be given for discussion. (3) At the three-day conference, coffee/tea and simple lunches will be provided so that participants can continue their conversations during meeting breaks.