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**Conference Venue:** Titania Hotel, 52 Panepistimiou Avenue, Athens, Greece (close to metro station *Panepistimio*)

**Monday 27 May 2019**

**07:50-08:40 Registration and Refreshments**

**08:50-09:20 (Room C - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor): [Welcome and Opening Address](#) by Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER.**

**09:30-11:00**

Session I (Room A - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	Session II (Room B - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	Session III (Room D - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)
<b>Chair:</b> Patricia Hanna, Professor, University of Utah, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Gary Bartlett, Professor, Central Washington University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Tennyson Samraj, Professor, Burman University, Canada.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chin-Tai Kim, Professor, Case Western Reserve University, USA. Being and Beings: Ontological Explication and Systematic Comprehension.</li> <li>Joel Wilcox, Professor, Barry University, USA. Four Objections to Essentialism, and Why They Matter.</li> <li>Maja Schepelmann, Scientific Assistant, Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Germany. Kant's System of Metaphysics from a New Point of View.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>William Stephens, Professor, Creighton University, USA. The Evils of Oysters and the Virtues of Vegetables: The Roman Stoics on Food.</li> <li>Dylan Futter, Associate Professor, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. Socratic Method and the "What is x" Question.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Simon Glynn, Professor, Florida Atlantic University, USA. The Postmodern Constitution of an Ethics of Empathy.</li> <li>Giuseppe Naimo, Senior Lecturer, University of Notre Dame Australia, Australia. A Metaphysical and Epistemological Critique of Psychiatry.</li> <li>Claudia Simone Dorchain, Postdoctoral Researcher/Entrepreneur, Germany/France. Why we are in Need of Negative Theology - The Destructive Role of Religion Proves Martha Nussbaum Wrong. (<i>Monday</i>)</li> </ol>

**11:00-12:30**

Session IV (Room A - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	Session V (Room B - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	Session VI (Room D - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)
<b>Chair:</b> Chin-Tai Kim, Professor, Case Western Reserve University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Yi Wu, Independent Researcher, The New School for Social Research, New York, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Giuseppe Naimo, Senior Lecturer, University of Notre Dame Australia, Australia.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sandra Fairbanks, Professor, Barry University, USA. Cultural Challenges to Environmental Ethics.</li> <li>Piers Stephens, Associate Professor, University of Georgia, USA. Nature, Liberty and Ontology: Why Nature Experience Still Exists and Matters in the Anthropocene.</li> <li>Marie Hrdá, Assistant Professor, University of Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic. Determining our Responsibility to Nature: The Loss of Biodiversity.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luyan Xie, Professor, Harbin Engineering University, China. The Course and Enlightenment of Ecological Civilization Construction since the Reform and Opening-up in China.</li> <li>Xuxin Chen, Dean, Jiangnan University, China. The Endless Truth of the Inheritance and Development of Chinese Traditional Virtues</li> <li>Wei Yang, Professor, Hainan Normal University, China. The Ecological Wisdom of Confucian Harmonious Thoughts and its Enlightenment for the Construction of Modern Ecological Civilization.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stephen Boyd, John Allen Easley Professor of Religion, Wake Forest University, USA. Collaborating to Defend Native American Human Rights and the Earth: Theological Resources.</li> <li>Wendy Felese, Professor, Regis University, USA. Reorientation in the Field: Why Religion Matters.</li> <li>Bob Robinson, Senior Fellow Emeritus, Laidlaw College, New Zealand. Φρόνησις: A Significant and Over-looked Dimension in Inter-religious Relations.</li> </ol>

**12:30-14:00**

<b>Session VII (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>	<b>Session VIII (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>	<b>Session IX (Room D - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Danielle Wylie, Assistant Professor, Mississippi State University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> William Stephens, Professor, Creighton University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Scott Rubarth, Associate Professor, Rollins College, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gary Bartlett, Professor, Central Washington University, USA. Are Children Subject to Epistemic Injustice?</li> <li>2. Ana Maria Vicuna, Adjunct Associate Professor, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile. Philosophical Dialogue and Socratic Inquiry in Philosophy for Children.</li> <li>3. Miloud Belkoniene, Researcher, University College London, UK. What Should We Believe about the Future?</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jaro Kotalik, Professor, Northern Ontario School of Medicine, Canada. Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) in Canada: Teaching Students and Medical Trainees about Relevant Ethical Concerns.</li> <li>2. Atli Hardarson, Associate Professor, University of Iceland, Iceland. The Paradox of Moral Education and Locke's Second Perfection.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Johan Buitendag, Professor, University of Pretoria, South Africa. The Challenges of Theological Education in the 21st Century and in Africa.</li> <li>2. Elelwani Farisani, Chair of Department, Professor, University of South Africa, South Africa. The Conflict between the Poor and the Wicked in Psalm(s) 9 and 10 and its Significance for the South African Context.</li> </ol>

**14:00-15:00 Lunch****15:00-16:30**

<b>Session X (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>	<b>Session XI (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Piers Stephens, Associate Professor, University of Georgia, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Johan Buitendag, Professor, University of Pretoria, South Africa.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meredith Drees, Chair, Department of Religion and Philosophy, Kansas Wesleyan University, USA. <i>Eros</i> and Experiences of Beauty in Plato's Theory of Moral Progress.</li> <li>2. Yair Schlein, Lecturer, Open University, Israel. Ananke as A Bridge between the Figurative and the Conceptual in Plato's Teameus.</li> <li>3. *Yi Wu, Independent Researcher, The New School for Social Research, New York, USA. Philosophy as Memory Theatre: Plato's Odyssey.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alan Hueth, Professor, Point Loma Nazarene University, USA. Preachers, Teachers, and Prophets: A Philosophical Exploration for a Christian Paradigm for Media Literacy.</li> <li>2. Johan A Van Rooyen, Associate Researcher, University of Pretoria, South Africa. Why Religious Human beings need Evolutionary Epistemology! A Theological and Evolutionary viewpoint of 'Why Humans need to Embrace Evolutionary Epistemology.</li> <li>3. Adina Portaru, Legal Counsel, ADF International, Belgium. The Need to Protect Freedom of Conscience of Medical Staff. (<i>noon session</i>)</li> </ol>

**16:30-18:00**

<b>Session XII (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>	<b>Session XIII (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Roderick Long, Professor, Auburn University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Atli Hardarson, Associate Professor, University of Iceland, Iceland.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. G. Andrew Rembert, Professor Emeritus, Washington &amp; Jefferson College, USA. Socrates the Family Man: A Supplement to Plato's Portrait of Socrates.</li> <li>2. Francisco David Corrales Cordon, Associate Professor, University of Girona, Spain. Anaxagorean Traces in Plato's Menexenus: The Case of the Myth of Autochthony.</li> <li>3. Tonci Kokic, Associate Professor, University of Split, Croatia. Metempsychōsis as Common Idea in Ancient Greek and India.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nikolaj Zunic, Professor, St. Jerome's University, Canada. Knowing What One Does Not Know: Unravelling an Epistemological Conundrum.</li> <li>2. Shogo Hashimoto, PhD Student, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany. Correspondence Theory of Truth in Wittgenstein's on Certainty.</li> <li>3. Jonathan Egeland, PhD Student, Stockholm University, Sweden. The Problem with Trusting Unfamiliar Faculties: Accessibilism Defended.</li> </ol>

**18:00-19:30****Session XIV (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)**

**Chair:** Michael Strawser, Professor & Chair of Philosophy Department, University of Central Florida, USA.

1. Tennyson Samraj, Professor, Burman University, Canada. The Concept of Multiple Realization and Phenomena of Emergence: The Possibility of Conscious Life beyond this Planet.
2. Pawel Sajdek, Professor, Pedagogical University in Cracow, Poland. Ontological Foundation of the Liberation Doctrine in *Brahmasiddhi* of Maṇḍana Miśra.
3. Susanne Kathrin Beiweis, Research Associate, Sun Yat-sen University, China. *Proteus*. Or: Magic or the Change in Naturein Ficino and Bruno.

**Session XV (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)**

**Chair:** Alan Hueth, Professor, Point Loma Nazarene University, USA.

1. Keiichi Iwata, Professor, Waseda University, Japan. Subjecthood and Definability in Aristotle's Investigation of Substance.
2. Jaroslav Danes, Associate Professor, University of Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic. Aristotle on War.
3. Pavel Hobza, Assistant Professor, Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic. Induction and Aristotelian *Epagoge*.

**19:30-20:30****Session XVI (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)**

**Chair:** Susanne Kathrin Beiweis, Research Associate, Sun Yat-sen University, China.

1. Danielle Wylie, Assistant Professor, Mississippi State University, USA. You Knew the Risks: A Puzzle for Moral Responsibility.
2. Laszlo Komorjai, Research Fellow, Eötvös Loránd University, Hungary. The Phenomenon of Following Rules and Some of its Problems.

**21:30-23:30 Greek Night and Dinner**

## Tuesday 28 May 2019

### 07:30-10:15 Session XVII: An Educational Urban Walk in Modern and Ancient Athens

Group Discussion on Ancient and Modern Athens.  
Visit to the Most Important Historical and Cultural Monuments of the City (be prepared to walk and talk as in the ancient peripatetic school of Aristotle)

### 10:30-12:30

Session XVIII (Room A - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	Session XIX (Room B - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)
<b>Chair:</b> Dylan Futter, Associate Professor, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa.	<b>Chair:</b> Elelwani Farisani, Chair of Department, Professor, University of South Africa, South Africa.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Roderick Long, Professor, Auburn University, USA. Labour Exploitation: A Left-Libertarian Analysis.</li> <li>2. Gerardo de la Fuente Lora, Professor, National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico. Image Ethics and Politics. Is it Possible to Represent Hyperviolence?</li> <li>3. Elisabetta Di Castro, Professor, National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico. The Justice in Question. A Debate in the Era of Globalization.</li> <li>4. Justyna Miklaszewska, Professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland. Liberal Justice.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Michel Tombroff, Artist, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA. Kronecker, Einstein and the Cross.</li> <li>2. Alice Reininger, Independent Researcher, Austria. "Personae non Gratae" - The Successful Intervening of a Catholic State in the Papal Elections of 1903.</li> </ol>

### 12:30-14:00

Session XX (Room A - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)	Session XXI (Room B - 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor)
<b>Chair:</b> Gerardo de la Fuente Lora, Professor, National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico.	<b>Chair:</b> Meredith Drees, Chair, Department of Religion and Philosophy, Kansas Wesleyan University, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Maria Adamos, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, USA. <i>Eudaimonia</i> and the Choice-Worthiness Condition in the <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i>.</li> <li>2. Scott Rubarth, Associate Professor, Rollins College, USA. Visual Perception in Ancient Stoic Philosophy.</li> <li>3. Ryan Quandt, Graduate Instructor, University of South Florida, USA. Aristotle's Appraisal of Epicarmus.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *William O'Meara, Professor, James Madison University, USA. Kant and Moral Despair.</li> <li>2. Andrew Ward, Lecturer, University of York, UK. Had Parfit Refuted Kant's Account of the Freedom Required for Moral Responsibility?</li> <li>3. *Antoine Rebourg, PhD Student, University of Neuchatel, Switzerland. Mental Muscle and Action in Strength of Will.</li> </ol>

### 14:00-15:00 Lunch

**15:00-16:30**

<b>Session XXII (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>	<b>Session XXIII (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Maria Adamos, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Tiago de Lima Castro, PhD Student, UNESP, Brazil.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Wieslawa Sajdek, Professor, Jan Dlugosz University in Czestochowa, Poland. What Is 'Knowledge'? Dialogic Quest for the Answer in Plato's <i>Theaetetus</i>.</li> <li>2. <u>Andrej Kalas</u>, Associate Professor, Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia &amp; Zuzana Zelinova, Independent Researcher, Slovakia. Xenophon's Socrates and Archaia Paideia.</li> <li>3. Krystof Bohacek, Researcher, Institute of Philosophy of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Czech Republic. Anamnetic Reading of Plato's Dialogues. A Proposal of an Alternative Methodology based on KAIROS.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Krzysztof Czerniawski, Adjunct Professor, University of Warsaw, Poland. Waismann, Church, and the Beginning of Alethic Pluralism.</li> <li>2. Mohamed Almisbkawy, Assistant Professor, The British University in Egypt, Egypt. Western Metaphysics of Exclusion and its Impact upon Interpretation of Buddhist Logic.</li> </ol>

**16:30-18:00**

<b>Session XXIV (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>	<b>Session XXV (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Nikolay Milkov, Professor, University of Paderborn, Germany.	<b>Chair:</b> Verena Gottschling, Professor, York University, Canada.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Michael Strawser, Professor &amp; Chair of Philosophy Department, University of Central Florida, USA. Levinas and the Spinoza Question.</li> <li>2. Jan Juhani Steinmann, PhD Candidate, University of Vienna, Austria. Hardship as Constitutive Principle of Subjectivity in Nietzsche and Kierkegaard.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Susan Castro, Associate Professor, Wichita State University, USA. On the Natural and Cultural Logic of <i>Renga</i>.</li> <li>2. Paul Helfritsch, Temporary Lecturer, Die Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Germany. A Sensibility for Opacity, or <i>how it is to Feel</i> Tarrying.</li> <li>3. Tiago de Lima Castro, PhD Student, UNESP, Brazil. Descartes and Music: The Relevance for Cartesianism.</li> </ol>

**18:00-19:00**

<b>Session XXVI (Room A - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor): Decolonisation &amp; Desuperiorisation: On the Dangers of Western Thought</b>	<b>Session XXVII (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chairs:</b> Bjorn Freter, Independent Researcher, Germany & Patricia Hanna, Professor, University of Utah, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Susan Castro, Associate Professor, Wichita State University, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Maria Lopez Rios, PhD Student, University of Bristol, UK. Apologia of Kant.</li> <li>2. Yvette Franklin, Instructor, The University of Tennessee, USA. Desuperiorization in Educative Contexts.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Beishi (Sabrina) Hao, PhD Student, University of Pittsburgh, USA. Does Special Theory of Relativity Contradict with Theories of Time?</li> <li>2. Jerzy Golosz, Associate Professor, Head of the Department of Philosophy of Natural Sciences, Director of the Institute of Philosophy, Jagiellonian University, Poland. In Defence of a Dynamic View of Reality.</li> </ol>

**19:00-21:00**

<b>Session XXVIII (Room B - 10<sup>th</sup> Floor)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Paul Helfritsch, Temporary Lecturer, Die Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, Germany.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Verena Gottschling, Professor, York University, Canada. Getting Delusions Right.</li> <li>2. Nikolay Milkov, Professor, University of Paderborn, Germany. Russell's Theory of Proposition (1900–1919) in Relation to Pragmatism.</li> <li>3. Marnie Binder, Lecturer, California State University, Sacramento and Cosumnes River College, USA. Pragmatism for History and History for Pragmatism: An Indispensable Dialogue for the Humanities.</li> <li>4. Nguyen Ba Trinh, Professor, Vietnam Academy of Science and Technology, Vietnam. Convergence Philosophy.</li> </ol>

**21:00-22:30 Dinner**

**Wednesday 29 May 2019**  
**Mycenae and Island of Poros Visit**  
**Educational Island Tour**

**Thursday 30 May 2019**  
**Delphi Visit**

**Friday 31 May 2019**  
**Ancient Corinth and Cape Sounion**

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