



## **Athens Institute for Education and Research**

*10<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Philosophy, 25-28 May 2015, Athens, Greece*

Organized by ATINER's [Philosophy Research Unit](#)

Conference Venue: [Titania Hotel](#), 52 Panepistimiou Street, 106 78 Athens, Greece

**Monday 25 May 2015**

(all sessions include 10 minutes break)

**08:00-08:30 Registration and Refreshments**

**08:30-09:00 (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR) Welcome & Opening Remarks**

- Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER.
- Dr. Patricia Hanna, Head, Philosophy Research Unit of ATINER & Professor, University of Utah, USA.

<b>09:00-10:30 Session I (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>09:00-10:30 Session II (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>09:00-10:30 Session III (ROOM D-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Patricia Hanna, Head, Philosophy Research Unit of ATINER & Professor, University of Utah, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> *Chrysoula Gitsoulis, Adjunct Assistant Professor, City University of New York, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> *Anna Olejarczyk, Assistant Professor, University of Wroclaw, Poland.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Bruno Pusic, Junior Research Fellow, University of Zagreb, Croatia. A Survey of Biologists on the Species Problem.</li><li>2. Omar Di Paola, Ph.D. Student, Universita degli studi di Palermo, Italy. Connections between Seneca and Platonism in Epistulae ad Lucilium 58.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. *Wendy Lynne Lee, Professor, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, USA. Sustainable Wasteland: Ecological Humanism, Cadaver Cosmetics, and the Desirable Future.</li><li>2. Damon Boria, Assistant Professor, Our Lady of the Lake College, USA. Creating the Anthropocene: Existential Social Philosophy and Our Bleak Future.</li><li>3. Mar Rosas Tosas, Research Coordinator, University Ramon Llull, Spain. Arendt, Agamben and Derrida. Rethinking Educational Leadership. (Monday)</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Guang Guo, Independent Researcher, China. Things Being Known in Reality: A Definite Answer to Zeno's Achilles and Tortoise and the Logic Gap in Gödel's 1931 Proof.</li><li>2. *Sander Wilkens, Privatdozent PD, Technische Universität Berlin, Germany. Circuit(s) versus Counter-Circuit(s), a Challenge of the Mind and an Implication of Philosophical Explication.</li></ol>

<b>10:30-12:00 Session IV (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>10:30-12:00 Session V (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> *Sander Wilkens, Privatdozent PD, Technische Universität Berlin, Germany.	<b>Chair:</b> Damon Boria, Assistant Professor, Our Lady of the Lake College, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Barbara Botter, Professor, UFES-Federal University of Vitoria, Brazil. Scientific Knowledge in Aristotle's Biology.</li> <li>2. *Abir Igamberdiev, Professor, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada. Relational Universe of Leibniz: Implications for Modern Physics and Biology.</li> <li>3. Monika Walczak, Associate Professor, The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland. The Classical Notion of Knowledge and Interdisciplinarity of Science.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Natasza Szutta, Assistant Professor, University of Gdansk, Poland. Virtue Ethics and Contemporary Social Psychology.</li> <li>2. *Chrysoula Gitsoulis, Adjunct Assistant Professor, City University of New York, USA. The Role of Reason in Grounding Moral Standards.</li> <li>3. Tsarina Doyle, Lecturer, National University of Ireland, Ireland. Hume on the Epistemology and Metaphysics of Value.</li> </ol>

<b>12:00-13:30 Session VI (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>12:00-13:30 Session VII (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>12:00-13:30 Session VIII (ROOM D-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> *Abir Igamberdiev, Professor, Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada.	<b>Chair:</b> Tsarina Doyle, Lecturer, National University of Ireland, Ireland.	<b>Chair:</b> Patricia Hanna, Head, Philosophy Research Unit of ATINER & Professor, University of Utah, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Javier Gracia Calandin, Associate Professor, Universidad De Valencia, Spain. The Concept of Moral from the Different Contributions of the Practical Neurophilosophy.</li> <li>2. Aaron Fehir, Assistant Professor, Saint Leo University, USA. Quine and Levinas on Ethics and Ontology.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. J. Noel Hubler, Professor, Lebanon Valley College, USA. Machiavelli's Adaptation of Aristotle's Best Regime.</li> <li>2. <u>Joanne Yamaguchi</u>, Post-Doc Researcher, Rasmussen College, USA &amp; <u>Gus Calabrese</u>, Post-Grad Electrical Engineering, Rasmussen College, USA. Hobbes and Rousseau Duke It Out....Refereed by Axiom Ferret.</li> <li>3. Maria de Lourdes Valdivia Dounce, Professor, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico. Frege's Categories and Their Problems.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ibrahim Noorani, Lecturer, Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University, Karachi, Pakistan. Ideology of Governance – A Qualitative Analysis of the Right to Rule and the Ideal Rule.</li> <li>2. *Dolores Maria Lussich, Ph.D. Student, Universidad de Buenos Aires Universite Paris 8 CNRS CONICET, Argentina. Vulnerability as Strength in Nietzsche's Zarathustra.</li> </ol>

**13:30-14:30 Lunch**

<b>14:30-16:00 Session IX (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>14:30-16:00 Session X (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>14:30-16:00 Session XI (ROOM D-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> *Peter Boltuc, Endowment Professor, University of Illinois, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> *Ana Bajzelj, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Polonsky Academy, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, Israel.	<b>Chair:</b> Patricia Hanna, Head, Philosophy Research Unit of ATINER & Professor, University of Utah, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Mark Wells</u>, Professor, Montreat College, USA &amp; Brad Faircloth, Assistant Professor, Montreat College, USA. <i>The Psychology of the Eternal in Kierkegaard's Sickness Unto Death.</i></li> <li>2. Volkan Cifteci, Ph.D. Candidate, Middle East Technical University, Turkey. <i>Kant's Theory of the Self: Its Inseparable Relation to Time.</i></li> <li>3. Miquel Solans, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Navarre, Spain. <i>Self-knowledge in Plato's Ethics.</i></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *<u>William O'Meara</u>, Professor, James Madison University, USA. <i>Camus and Descartes: The Absurd and the Methodic Doubt.</i></li> <li>2. Anton Crisan, Ph.D. Candidate, Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca &amp; Romanian Academy Cluj-Napoca Branch, Romania. <i>Gadamer's Relation to Hegel and Idealism.</i></li> <li>3. <u>Jorge Pacheco</u>, Professor, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia &amp; Sandra Elizabeth Forero, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia. <i>Philosophy and Paranoia of Genius: Un-Veiled of Real?</i></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *Anupam Yadav, Assistant Professor, Birla Institute of Technology and Science, India. <i>Alternative Epistemologies and Normative Directionality.</i></li> <li>2. *Anna Olejarczyk, Assistant Professor, University of Wroclaw, Poland. <i>Plato's Conception of Language.</i></li> </ol>

<b>16:00-17:30 Session XII (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>16:00-17:30 Session XIII (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> * <u>William O'Meara</u> , Professor, James Madison University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> *Marco Lauri, Adjunct Professor, University of Macerata, Italy.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *Peter Boltuc, Endowment Professor, University of Illinois, USA. <i>Fichte May Help with a Deflationary Non-Reductive View on Consciousness.</i></li> <li>2. Tennyson Samraj, Professor, Canadian University College, Canada. <i>Carbon Based Brain, Consciousness and Choice: A Phenomenological Update on the Concept and Reality of Free Will as an Existential Mode of Existence Exhibited in Human Praxis.</i></li> <li>3. Edouard Asseo, Independent Scholar, France. <i>The Question of Consciousness.</i></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *Ana Bajzelj, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Polonsky Academy, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute, Israel. <i>Causality in Jain Ontology: The Question of Time.</i></li> <li>2. Donald Poochigian, Professor, University of North Dakota, USA. <i>Quality and Abstraction: A Critique of Scientism.</i></li> </ol>

**21:00-23:00 Greek Night and Dinner (Details during registration)**

## Tuesday 26 May 2015

<b>08:00-09:30 Session XIV (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>08:00-09:30 Session XV (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR): Panel</b>	<b>08:00-09:30 Session XVI (ROOM D-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> *Anupam Yadav, Assistant Professor, Birla Institute of Technology and Science, India.	<b>Chair:</b> Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore.	<b>Chair:</b> Dr. Donald V. Poochigian, Professor, University of North Dakota, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. *Gleissson Schmidt, Professor, Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Parana, Brazil. Merleau-Ponty, from the Overcoming of the Epistemological Dichotomy to the Recognition of the Ontological Diplopy.</li> <li>2. *Maria Adamos, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, USA. Are Desires, Cognitions and Emotions Logically Related? (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015)</li> <li>3. *Rana Ahmad, Lecturer, University of British Columbia and Langara College, Canada. Morality, Trust and Epistemic Risk.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria &amp; Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore. How Do We Gather Knowledge through Language? Introduction to the Panel.</li> <li>2. Monika Nowakowska, Assistant Professor, University of Warsaw, Poland. Truthfulness and Credibility in an Indian Hermeneutical Context. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>3. *Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria. Conveying Prescriptions: The Mīmāṃsā Understanding of How Prescriptive Texts Function. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gregory Bassham, Professor, King's College (Pennsylvania), USA. A Critique of C. S. Lewis's Argument from Desire.</li> <li>2. Adina Preda, Lecturer, University of Limerick, Ireland. Can there be Positive Human Rights? (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)</li> <li>3. Vito Limone, Ph.D. Student, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Italy. The οὐσία in Origen's Commentary on John about the Theological Interpretation of a Philosophical Concept. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)</li> </ol>
<b>09:30-11:00 Session XVII (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>09:30-11:00 Session XVIII (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR): Panel</b>	<b>09:30-11:00 Session XIX (ROOM D-10TH FLOOR)</b>
<b>Chair:</b> *Maria Adamos, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria.	<b>Chair:</b> Dr. Donald V. Poochigian, Professor, University of North Dakota, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Andrew Alwood, Assistant Professor, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA. Personal Well-Being.</li> <li>2. Hanoch Ben-Pazi, Assistant Professor, Bar Ilan University, Israel. Emmanuel Levinas: Witnessing, Reconciliation and Responsibility.</li> <li>3. Tonci Kobic, Assistant Professor, University of Split, Croatia. Is the Origin of First Life Scientifically Solvable?</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore. Indication as Verbal Postulation. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>2. Daniele Cuneo, Lecturer, University of Leiden, The Netherlands. Affective Knowledge as the Aim of Poetic Language. Crossings among Sanskrit Aesthetics, Western Hermeneutics and Contemporary Psychology. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>3. Marzenna Jakubczak, Associate Professor, Pedagogical University of Cracow, Poland. What Cognitive Benefits May Arise from the Collision Between Language and Metaphysics? Sāṅkhya-Yoga Perspective. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Angela Maria Michelis, Professor, University of Turin, Italy. The New Challenges and the Role of Philosophy according to Hans Jonas.</li> <li>2. Evgenia Cherkasova, Associate Professor, Suffolk University, USA. Open Dynamic Educational Project (ODEP): Teaching Strategies for the 'Big Questions' Philosophy Courses.</li> <li>3. Aldo Frigerio, Assistant Professor, Catholic University of Sacred Heart of Milan, Italy. Cannot Abstract Objects Really Evolve? On the Ontology of Biological Species. (Tuesday)</li> </ol>

<b>11:00-12:30 Session XX (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>11:00-12:30 Session XXI (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR): Panel</b>	<b>11:00-12:30 Session XXII (ROOM D-10TH FLOOR): A Panel on Philosophy of Education</b>
<b>Chair:</b> *Gleisson Schmidt, Professor, Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Parana, Brazil.	<b>Chair:</b> Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore.	<b>Chair:</b> Aristotelis Santas, Professor of Philosophy, Valdosta State University, USA.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Anar Jafarov, Ph.D. Student, Goettingen University, Azerbaijan. Searle on the Intentional Content of Visual Experiences.</li> <li>2. Alexey Lyzlov, Associate Professor, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia. Concepts of Sensation, Feeling and Belief in F.H. Jacobi's Philosophy.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alessandro Graheli, Project Assistant, University of Vienna, Austria. Epistemology of Verbal and Written Testimony. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>2. Akane Saito, Ph.D. Student, Kyushu University, Japan. Internalization of Speech: Perception and Understanding of the Word. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>3. <u>Tiziana Pontillo</u>, Senior Lecturer, University of Cagliari, Italy. Does Dissymmetric Signification Rely on Conventional Rules? Two Ancient Indian Answers. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Secil Turkoz, Instructor, Abant Izzet Baysal University, Turkey. Rethinking the Concept of Suggestion within Suggestopaedia. (A Panel on Philosophy of Education) (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015)</li> <li>2. Matti Itkonen, Senior Lecturer, University of Jyväskylä, Finland. The Essence of Kalastajatorppa Revisited. A Cinematographic Journey into Time and Space.</li> <li>3. Ian Cantley, Lecturer, Queen's University Belfast, U.K. A Quantum Framework for Educational Measurement. (A Panel on Philosophy of Education)</li> </ol>

<b>12:30-14:00 Session XXIII (ROOM B-10TH FLOOR)</b>	<b>12:30-14:00 Session XXIV (ROOM C-10TH FLOOR): Panel</b>
<b>Chair:</b> Andrew Alwood, Assistant Professor, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA.	<b>Chair:</b> Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Laurent Dessberg, Senior Lecturer, Canterbury Christ Church University, U.K. Johann F. Herbart: Morality and Pedagogy of Teaching. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Valeria Melis</u>, Ph.D., University of Turin - University of Cagliari, Italy. Does Dissymmetric Signification Rely on Conventional Rules? Two Ancient Greek Answers. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>2. *Marco Lauri, Adjunct Professor, University of Macerata, Italy. "I've told a Story in Order to Make a Case for the Truth" Storytelling, Knowledge and Social Agency in some Medieval Arabic Texts. (Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, panel)</li> <li>3. Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria &amp; Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore. How do we gather knowledge through language? Roundtable Discussion.</li> </ol>

**14:00-15:00 Lunch**

**18:00-20:30 Urban Walk (Details during registration)**

**20:30- 22:00 Dinner (Details during registration)**

**Wednesday 27 May 2015**  
Cruise: (Details during registration)

**Thursday 28 May 2015**  
Delphi Visit: (Details during registration)