

MAY 24<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY  
FORO DI ALTI STUDI «GAETANO MASSA»  
9:00 ~ Welcome. Luigi Miraglia [Accademia *Vivarium novum*, President]; Ignacio Armella Chavez [Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Vice-President]; Robert M. Berchman [FSA/*Gaetano Massa*, Roma, Director General].

9:20 ~ Presentation of FSA Academic Fellows. Michele Olzi [FSA/*Gaetano Massa*, Roma, General Secretary]; Giuliano Chiapparini [Università Cattolica Milano, Italia]; Augusto Cosentino [FSA/*Gaetano Massa*, Roma, Italia]; Lorenzo Giovannetti [CNR, Istituto per il Lessico Intellettuale Europeo e Storia delle Idee, Roma, Italia]; Marina Messeri [University of Cambridge, UK]; Benedetto Neola [Universiteit Leiden, NL]; Chris Rees [The School of Philosophy & Economic Science, London, UK]; Giancarlo Rinaldi [Università degli studi di Napoli l’Orientale/Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Italia]; David H. Rosenthal [The Institute at Caesars Head, Salem, SC/USA]; Alessandro Stavru [Università di Verona, Italia]; Stéphane Toussaint [CNRS/Paris, France]; Mauro Tulli [Università di Pisa, Italia]; Panyiotta Vassilopolou, [University of Liverpool, UK].

ANCIENT PATTERNS

9:30-11:30 ~ Accademia *Vivarium novum*: Συμφωνία Πλατωνική. Moderator: Álvaro Bo [Zêtesis, Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Italia]; Mauro Tulli [Università di Pisa, Italy], “Un dibattito sull’ethos nella biografia greca: Platone fra Cinismo e Peripato”; Franco Ferrari [Università di Pavia, Italy], “La trascendenza del Principio: da Platone al platonismo”; Mauro Agosto [Pontificia Università Lateranense, Città del Vaticano], “Platone a Bisanzio”; Ignacio Armella Chávez [Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Italia], “Riscoperta del passato e ricerca di legittimità: alcune considerazioni sul motivo della ‘prisca theologia’ nel pensiero rinascimentale”.

11:30 ~ Discussion

Coffee

ANCIENT AND MODERN PATTERNS

12:00-13:30 ~ Mathematica. Moderator: Svetla Slaveva-Griffin [Florida State University, USA]; Francesco Zucconi [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia], “Effectiveness and Feasibility of a Well-Grounded Mathematical Prediction”; Robert M. Berchman [FSA/*Gaetano Massa*, Roma, Italia], “Causa sive Ratio: Causality and Number”; Lorenzo Giovannetti [CNR, Istituto per il Lessico Intellettuale Europeo e Storia delle Idee, Roma, Italia], “Are Platonic Forms Abstract Objects?”.

13:30 ~ Discussion

Lunch

ANCIENT, MEDIEVAL AND MODERN PATTERNS

15:30-17:15 ~ Mathematica. Moderator: Salvatore Lavecchia [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia]; Bruce MacLennan [University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA], “From the Monad and the Dyad to the World Soul and the World”; Svetla Slaveva-Griffin [Florida State University, USA], “‘The Causal Profile’ of Number: A Modern Perspective”; Álvaro Bo [Zêtesis, Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Italia], “The Dreams of Quantity: Priscian’s Philosophy of Mathematics and its 16<sup>th</sup> century Reception”.

17:15 ~ Discussion

Coffee

LATER ANCIENT PATTERNS

18:30-20:00 ~ Thinking Beyond Rationality. Session Moderator: Álvaro Bo [Zêtesis, Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Italia]; Salvatore Lavecchia [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia], “Number as Source of Harmonious Rhythm. Some Platonic and Plotinian Suggestions”; Marco Ghione [Università del Piemonte Orientale, Italia], “From Numbers to Gods: The Theology of Number in Anatolius and Iamblichus”; Francesco Zucconi [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia], “Ritual and Thought”.

20:00 ~ Discussion

21:00 ~ Dinner

MAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY  
FORO DI ALTI STUDI «PATRICK ATHERTON»

MODERN PATTERNS

9:00-10:30 ~ Aporiai Poleos. AI and Body Politics. Moderator: Francesco Zucconi [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia]; Michele Olzi [Università degli Studi dell’Insubria Varese e Como, Italia], “*Domes of Power*: Effects and Collective Representations of Artificial Intelligence in Politics and Ethics.”; Alessandra Caprioli [Università degli Studi dell’Insubria Varese e Como, Italia], “Human Body, Artificial Intelligence, and Political Participation in Digital Spaces”; Chris Rees [The School of Philosophy & Economic Science, London, UK], “AI Ethics: In the Age of LLMs. What are the Ethical Problems and what Solutions are there?”.

10:30 ~ Discussion

Coffee

ANCIENT PATTERNS

11:45-13:00 ~ Music Divine [Co-Sponsored by the Canadian Aristotelian Society]. Moderator: Stephen Gersh [University of Notre Dame, USA]; Eleonora Falini [Università degli Studi di Salerno, Italia], “ὑμνολογεῖν τὸ ἐγέρσιμον: Philosophy, Ritual, and Satire in the Opening of the *De Nuptiis Philologiae et Mercurii*.”; Daniel Regnier [St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada], “Bardic Metaphysics: Poetics and Rhetoric in Al-Fārābī’s Philosophy of Music”.

13:00 ~ Discussion

Lunch

RENAISSANCE AND MEDIEVAL PATTERNS

15:30-17:30 ~ Harmony, Intellect, and Love in Ficino. Moderator: Enrico Peroli [Università degli Studi *G. d’Annunzio* Chieti-Pescara, Italia]; Valery Rees [University of Cambridge, UK], “The Complementarity of Intellect and Love in Ficino”; Stéphane Toussaint [CNRS/Paris, France], “Ficino on Erotic Instinct, *Epithumia* and Accidental *Eros*”; Stephen Gersh [University of Notre Dame, USA], “Harmony, Sense and Intellect in Plotinus, Porphyry, and Ficino”.

17:30 ~ Discussion

Coffee

18:30-19:10 ~ Contemplating Creation [Co-Sponsored by The Centre for Platonic Studies, University of Cambridge, UK]. Moderator: Valery Rees [University of Cambridge, UK]; Marina Messeri [University of Cambridge, UK], “Contemplating Creation in the 12th Century: Augustinian *Uti et Frui* in Hildegard of Bingen and Hugh of St. Victor”.

19:10 ~ Discussion

21:00 ~ Dinner

MAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MONDAY  
FORO DI ALTI STUDI «RICCARDO CAMPA»

ANCIENT PATTERNS

9:00-10:15 ~ Magic and Theurgy. Moderator: Andreea-Maria Lemnaru Espuña [Universitaet Wien, Oesterreich]; Luciano Albanese [Università degli di Studi di Roma Sapienza, Italia], “Gli *Oracoli caldaici* fra filosofia e teurgia.”; Bruce MacLennan [University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA], “Psychological Analysis of a Theurgical Ritual for Hermes-Thoth.”.

10:15 ~ Discussion

Coffee

11:30-12:45 ~ Neoplatonism and Theurgy. Moderator: Bruce MacLennan [University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA]; Andreea-Maria Lemnaru Espuña [Universitaet Wien, Oesterreich], “The Theurgical Journey of the Soul in the Hermetic treatises and the *Chaldean Oracles*”; Benedetto Neola [Universiteit Leiden, NL], “Proclus on Immaterial Theurgy: Numbers and Hymns to the Gods.”.

12:45 ~ Discussion

Lunch

ANCIENT PATTERNS

15:30-18:00 ~ Later Platonism and Gnosticism [Co-Sponsored by Philosophy of Late Antique Project]. Moderator: Chiara Ombretta Tommasi [Università di Pisa, Italia]; Giancarlo Rinaldi [Università degli studi di Napoli l’Orientale/Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Italia], “I *clarissimi* viri di Plotino”; Francesco Berno [Sapienza Università di Roma, Italia], “Cristiani o gnostici? L’identità complessa degli allievi eretici di Plotino”; Giuliano Chiapparini [Università Cattolica Milano, Italia], “Plotino e gli *gnostikoi*: il paradigma ermeneutico dello gnosticismo di Jonas-Schenke”; Luciana Gabriela Soares Santoprete [CNRS – LEM, UMR 8584, France], “La vision du Dieu Suprême dans la polémique antignostique de Plotin”.

18:00 ~ Discussion

Coffee

19:00-19:30 ~ Ancient Mediterranean Numismatics. Moderator: Francesco Zucconi [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia]; David H. Rosenthal [The Institute at Caesars Head, Salem, SC/USA], “Numismatics: Roman Coinage and Purchasing Power”.

19:30 ~ Discussion

20:00 ~ Tyrtarion's Concert [Özséb Áron Tóth and Accademia *Vivarium novum*'s choir]

21:00 ~ Dinner

MAY 27<sup>TH</sup> TUESDAY  
FORO DI ALTI STUDI «JOHN D. TURNER»

ANCIENT AND MODERN PATTERNS

9:00-10:30 ~ Socratica/Platonica [Co-Sponsored by the International Society for Socratic Studies]. Moderator: Menahem Luz [University of Haifa, Israel]; Claudia Marsico [Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina], “Socrates’ Curse and the Doomed Poets”; Marisa Divenosa [Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina], “Minos... ‘with a golden scepter, dispensing Justice to the Dead’” (Plato, *Gorgias* 526d2); Ivana Costa [Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina], “Learn Through Suffering and Learn Who to Learn From: Philosophy and Fiction in the Myth of *Er*”.

10:30 ~ Discussion

Coffee

11:45-13:00 ~ Socratica/Platonica/Aristotelica [Co-Sponsored by the International Society for Socratic Studies]. Moderator: Claudia Marsico [Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina]; Alessandro Stavru [Università degli Studi di Verona, Italia], “Socrates and the Poets”; Eric Perl [Loyola Marymount University, USA], “Being, Life, Intellect: The Aristotelian Triad”.

13:00 ~ Discussion

Lunch

ANCIENT PATTERNS

15:30-17:30 ~ Later Platonism and Gnosticism [Co-Sponsored by Philosophy of Late Antique Project]. Moderator: Luciana Gabriela Soares Santoprete (CNRS – LEM, UMR 8584, France); Chiara Ombretta Tommasi [Università di Pisa, Italia], “Aspetti della ritualità gnostica, tra metafisica e pratica”; Augusto Cosentino [FSA/*Gaetano Massa*, Roma, Italia], “Indian Religions through the Lens of Late Antiquity: A Comparative Analysis of Plotinus and Hippolytus’s *Refutatio*”; Svetla Slaveva-Griffin [Florida State University, USA], “Why *On Numbers* after *Against the Gnostics*?”.

17:30 ~ Discussion

Coffee

19:00-19:45 ~ A Conversation with Enrico Peroli [Università degli Studi *G. d’Annunzio* Chieti-Pescara, Italia]. Moderator: Chiara Ombretta Tommasi [Università di Pisa, Italia].

19:45 ~ Discussion

21:00 ~ Dinner

MAY 28<sup>TH</sup> WEDNESDAY  
FORO DI ALTI STUDI «JACOB NEUSNER»

ANCIENT PATTERNS

9:00-10:15 ~ Interiority. Moderator: Daniel Regnier [St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada]; Menahem Luz [University of Haifa, Israel], “Knowledge and Learning in the Fragments of Phaedo of Elis”; Panayiota Vassilopoulou [University of Liverpool, UK], “The Reality of the Self: Plotinus and Mary Midgley”.

10:15 ~ Discussion

Coffee

11:45-13:00 ~ Later Platonism and Gnosticism [Co-Sponsored by Philosophy of Late Antique Project]. Moderator: Chiara Ombretta Tommasi [Università di Pisa, Italia]; Claudia Lo Casto [Università degli Studi di Salerno, Italia], “Volontà e libertà dell’Uno. Gli Gnostici e il *πολημρὸς λόγος*”; Salvatore Lavecchia [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia], “Operatività noetica e magia. Su una dimensione della polemica plotiniana contro gli gnostici”.

13:00 ~ Discussion

Lunch

ANCIENT, MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE PATTERNS

15:00-16:45 ~ Porphyriana. Moderator: Claudia Lo Casto [Università degli Studi di Salerno, Italia]; Ilaria Ramelli [Stanford University, USA], “Origen and Porphyry: Revisiting a Love-Hate Philosophical and Religious Relation and New Findings”; José María Zamora [Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, España], “The Aptitudes of the Embryo. On Porphyry’s *Ad Gaurum*”; Lela Alexidze [State University of Tbilisi, Georgia], “Porphyry in Georgian Philosophical Texts”.

16:45 ~ Discussion

Coffee

18:00-19:00 ~ Book Launch “Certainty and Ontology of Mathematics”. Moderator: Helena Schoeb [De Gruyter Brill, Leiden, Netherlands]; Álvaro Bo, *Akribeia: Certainty and Ontology of Mathematics in Alessandro Piccolomini’s* De certitudine mathematicarum.

19:00 ~ Discussion. Stephen Gersh [University of Notre Dame, USA], Svetla Slaveva-Griffin [Florida State University, USA] and Odile Gilon [Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belge].

21:00 ~ Banquet

MAY 29<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY  
FORO DI ALTI STUDI «HORST SEIDL»

RETHINKING PATTERNS

9:30-11:00 ~ Rethinking Leadership. Moderator: David H. Rosenthal [The Institute at Caesars Head Ltd, Salem, SC/USA]; Luigi Miraglia [Accademia *Vivarium novum*, Frascati, Italia], “Dagli orti di Accademo all'accademia di oggi”; David H. Rosenthal [The Institute at Caesars Head Ltd, Salem, SC/USA], “Leadership: Leading with Culture”; Francesco Zucconi [Università degli Studi di Udine, Italia], “Leadership and Soft Skills a Necessary Union”.

11:00 ~ Discussion

Coffee

12:30 ~ Business Meeting. Moderator: Michele Olzi [FSA/Gaetano Massa, Roma, General Secretary].

Lunch



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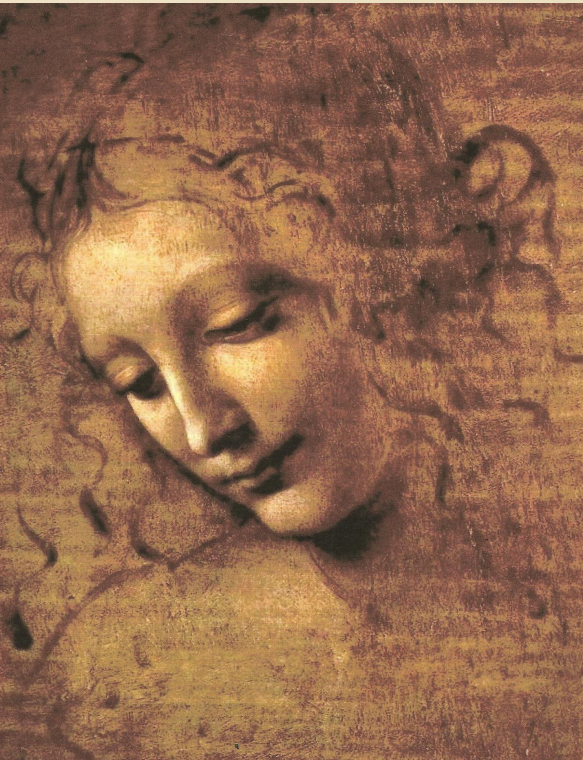
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