08:00-08:30 Registration and Refreshments

08:30-09:00 (ROOM A) Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER & Honorary Professor, University of Stirling, UK.
- Dr. George Poulos, Vice-President of Research, ATINER & Emeritus Professor, University of South Africa, South Africa.
- Dr. Patricia Hanna, Head, Philosophy Research Unit of ATINER & Professor, University of Utah, USA.

09:00-10:30 Session I (ROOM A)  
Chair:
1. Jorge Barros Pires, Professor, UNESP, Brazil, Lauro Frederico Barbosa da Silveira, Professor, UNESP, Brazil, Alexandre Goncalves Eysukoff, Professor, UFRJ / COPPE, Brazil & Fernando Pellon de Miranda, Senior Consultant, PETROBRAS / CENPES, Brazil. Diagrammatic Reasoning as the Basis for Developing Concepts.
2. Bruno Pusic, Junior Research Fellow, University of Zagreb, Croatia. A Survey of Biologists on the Species Problem.

09:00-10:30 Session II (ROOM B)  
2. Damon Boria, Assistant Professor, Our Lady of the Lake College, USA. Creating the Anthropocene: Existential Social Philosophy and Our Bleak Future.

09:00-10:30 Session III (ROOM C)  
Chair:
2. Siavash Asadi, Ph.D. Candidate, TMU, Iran. Philosophical Challenges in Quantum Logics.
3. *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.
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<td>Chair: Barbara Botter, Professor, UFES-Federal University of Vitoria, Brazil. Scientific Knowledge in Aristotle’s Biology.</td>
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<td>3. Monika Walczak, Associate Professor, The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Poland. The Classical Notion of Knowledge and Interdisciplinarity of Science.</td>
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<td>3. Aaron Fehir, Assistant Professor, Saint Leo University, USA. Quine and Levinas on Ethics and Ontology.</td>
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13:30-14:30 Lunch
### 14:30-16:00 Session X (ROOM A)

**Chair:**

1. **Mark Wells**, Professor, Montreat College, USA & **Brad Faircloth**, Assistant Professor, Montreat College, USA. The Psychology of the Eternal in Kierkegaard’s *Sickness Unto Death*.
2. **Volkan Cifteci**, Ph.D. Candidate, Middle East Technical University, Turkey. Kant’s Theory of the Self: Its Inseparable Relation to Time.
3. **Miquel Solans**, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Navarre, Spain. Self-knowledge in Plato’s Ethics.

### 14:30-16:00 Session XI (ROOM B)

**Chair:**

1. **Jorge Pacheco**, Professor, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia & **Sandra Elizabeth Forero**, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia. Philosophy and Paranoia of Genius: Un-Veiled of Real?
2. **William O’Meara**, Professor, James Madison University, USA. Camus and Descartes: The Absurd and the Methodic Doubt.

### 14:30-16:00 Session XII (ROOM C)

**Chair:**

1. **Anupam Yadav**, Assistant Professor, Birla Institute of Technology and Science, India. Alternative Epistemologies and Normative Directionality.
2. **Anna Olejarczyk**, Assistant Professor, University of Wroclaw, Poland. Plato’s Conception of Language.
3. **Jinadu Abiodun Moses**, Lecturer II, Adekunle Ajasin University, Nigeria. The Relevance of Metaphysics to Contemporary Society.

### 16:00-17:30 Session XIII (ROOM A)

**Chair:**

1. **Peter Boltuc**, Endowment Professor, University of Illinois, USA. Fichte May Help with a Deflationary Non-Reductive View on Consciousness.
2. **Tennyson Samraj**, Professor, Canadian University College, Canada. 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.

### 16:00-17:30 Session XIV (ROOM B)

**Chair:**

3. **Mohsen Mahmoudi**, Assistant Professor, Islamic Azad University Bandar Abbas Branch, Iran. Knowledge in Richard Rorty’s Neopragmatism.

### 21:00-23:00 Greek Night and Dinner (Details during registration)
### Tuesday 26 May 2015

**08:00-09:30 Session XV (ROOM A)**  
Chair:  
2. *Maria Adams, Associate Professor, Georgia Southern University, USA. Are Desires, Cognitions and Emotions Logically Related? (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)
3. *Rana Ahmad, Lecturer, University of British Columbia and Langara College, Canada. Morality, Trust and Epistemic Risk.

**08:00-09:30 Session XVI (ROOM B): Panel**  
Chair:  
1. Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria & Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore. How Do We Gather Knowledge through Language? Introduction to the Panel.
2. Monika Nowakowska, Assistant Professor, University of Warsaw, Poland. Truthfulness and Credibility in an Indian Hermeneutical Context. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)

**09:30-11:00 Session XVIII (ROOM A)**  
Chair:  
1. Andrew Alwood, Assistant Professor, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA. Personal Well-Being.
2. Hanoch Ben-Pazi, Assistant Professor, Bar Ilan University, Israel. Emmanuel Levinas: Witnessing, Reconciliation and Responsibility.
3. Tonci Kovic, Assistant Professor, University of Split, Croatia. Is the Origin of First Life Scientifically Solvable?

**09:30-11:00 Session XIX (ROOM B): Panel**  
Chair:  
1. Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore. Indication as Verbal Postulation. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)
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, 26th of May 2015, panel)
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)

**08:00-09:30 Session XVII (ROOM C)**  
Chair:  
1. Gregory Bassham, Professor, King’s College (Pennsylvania), USA. A Critique of C. S. Lewis’s Argument from Desire.
2. Adina Preda, Lecturer, University of Limerick, Ireland. Can there be Positive Human Rights? (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)
3. Vito Limone, Ph.D. Student, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Italy. The ὁὄσια in Origen’s Commentary on John about the Theological Interpretation of a Philosophical Concept. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)

**09:30-11:00 Session XX (ROOM C)**  
Chair:  
1. Angela Maria Michelis, Professor, University of Turin, Italy. The New Challenges and the Role of Philosophy as Hans Jonas.
2. Evgenia Cherkasova, Associate Professor, Suffolk University, USA. Open Dynamic Educational Project (ODEP): Teaching Strategies for the ‘Big Questions’ Philosophy Courses.
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)
### Session XXI (ROOM A)

**Chair:**

2. Alexey Lyzlov, Associate Professor, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia. Concepts of Sensation, Feeling and Belief in F.H. Jacobi’s Philosophy.
3. Oswell Hapanyengwi, Senior Lecturer, University of Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe & Jane Mutasa, University of Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe. Human Rights Education through Hunhu/Ubuntu: Making the Discourse Relevant.

### Session XXII (ROOM B): Panel

**Chair:**

1. Alessandro Graheli, Project Assistant, University of Vienna, Austria. Epistemology of Verbal and Written Testimony. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)
2. Akane Saito, Ph.D. Student, Kyushu University, Japan. Internalization of Speech: Perception and Understanding of the Word. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)
3. Tiziana Pontillo, Senior Lecturer, University of Cagliari, Italy. Does Dissymmetric Signification Rely on Conventional Rules? Two Ancient Indian Answers. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)

### Session XXIII (ROOM C): A Panel on Philosophy of Education

**Chair:** Aristotelis Santas, Professor of Philosophy, Valdosta State University, USA.

1. Secil Turkoz, Instructor, Abant Izzet Baysal University, Turkey. Rethinking the Concept of Suggestion within Suggestopedia. (A Panel on Philosophy of Education) (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)
2. Matti Itkonen, Senior Lecturer, University of Jyvaskyla, Finland. The Essence of Kalastajatorppa Revisited. A Cinematographic Journey into Time and Space.
3. Ian Cantley, Lecturer, Queen’s University Belfast, U.K. A Quantum Framework for Educational Measurement. (A Panel on Philosophy of Education)

### Session XXIV (ROOM A)

**Chair:**

1. Laurent Dessberg, Senior Lecturer, Canterbury Christ Church University, U.K. Johann F. Herbart: Morality and Pedagogy of Teaching. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)
2. Luca Serafini, Ph.D. Student, University of Pisa, Italy. Aesthetic Reflexivity and Global Community. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015)

### Session XXV (ROOM B): Panel

**Chair:**

1. Valeria Melis, Ph.D., University of Turin - University of Cagliari, Italy. Does Dissymmetric Signification Rely on Conventional Rules? Two Ancient Greek Answers. (Tuesday, 26th of May 2015, panel)
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, 26th of May 2015, panel)
3. Elisa Freschi, Research Leader, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Austria & Malcolm Keating, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Yale-NUS College, Singapore. How do we gather knowledge through language? Roundtable Discussion.

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### 12:30-14:00 Lunch

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