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PROGRAM

SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER

Theocharakis Foundation, 9 Vasilissis Sofias & Merlin Street, 10671 Athens

16:00-16:45

WELCOME ADRESSES/INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

chair: Panagiotis PANTAZAKOS

- 1) Meletios A. DIMOPOULOS (Rector of National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)
- 2) Theodosios PELEGRINIS (Former Rector of National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)
- 3) Marisa FOUNTOPOULOU (NKU, Head of the Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology)
- 4) Elsi BACONICOLA-YIAMA (NKU, Director of the Section of Philosophy)
- 5) Sotiris FOURNAROS (NKU, Athens)
- 6) Alexander HERDA (Humboldt University Berlin)
- 7) Robert HAHN (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale)

16:45-18:15

KEYNOTES

16:45-17:30

- 1) Andrew GREGORY (University College London)
Anaximander, Cosmology and the Poets

17:30-18:15

- 2) Alexander MOURELATOS (The University of Texas at Austin)
Xenophanes of Colophon and Heraclitus of Ephesus: the Two Earliest Foes of Anthropomorphism in Cosmological Thinking

18:15-20:00

RECEPTION

MONDAY 12 DECEMBER

all 3 days: "Alkis Argyriadis" auditorium in university mainbuilding, Panepistimiou 30

9:00-10:30

SESSION A: Knowledge of Nature: Cosmology and Astronomy

chair: Andrew GREGORY

9:00-9:30

3) Xenophon MOUSSAS (NKU, Athens, Emeritus)

The Antikythera Mechanism, an Epitome of Pythagorean Philosophy

9:30-10:00

4) Dirk COUPRIE (University of West Bohemia, Pilsen)

Archetypal Images in Anaximander's Phenomenological Cosmology

10:00-10:30

5) Konstantinos KALACHANIS (NKU, Athens)

The Contribution of Anaxagoras in Astronomy and Astrophysics

10:30-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-13:00

SESSION B: Practical Wisdom and Applied Geometry: Astronomy,
Geometry, Urbanism, and Building Temples

chair: Theodosios TASSIOS

11:00-11:30

6) Andrej LEBEDEV (University of Crete, Rethymno)

Placing the Ionian ΠΕΡΙ ΦΥΣΕΩΣ ΙΣΤΟΡΙΑ in Context: The Role of Seafaring, Navigation and Milesian Colonization in the Birth of Greek Science

11:30-12:00

7) Robert HAHN (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale)

Why Thales Knew the Pythagorean Theorem: Philosophy, Geometry, and Diagrams

12:00-12:30

8) Alexander HERDA (Humboldt University, Berlin)

How a Sage Would Build a City: Thales of Miletos and the Invention of Greek Urbanism

12:30-13:00

9) Thomas Noble HOWE (Southwestern University, Georgetown, TX)

*Further Thoughts on the Arrival of the Greek Monumental Orders and the Autodidact Polymath
architekton*

13:00-14:30

Lunch break

14:30-16:00

SESSION C: Words of Knowledge: Literacy, Prose, and Poet-
Politicians

chair: Joanne WAUGH

14:30-15:00

10) Rostislav ORESHKO (University of Warsaw/Center for Hellenic Studies)
Languages, Alphabets and Literacy in Archaic Western Anatolia

15:00-15:30

11) Elena MARTÍN GONZÁLEZ (National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens)
Ex Ionia Prosa: Prose Composition in Archaic Ionian Science

15:30-16:00

12) Avgi-Anna MAGGEL (Hellenic Open University, Patras)
Wise Men and Poets in Archaic Greece: Pittacus and Alcaeus in the Politics of Mytilene

TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER:

9:00-10:30

SESSION D: Metallurgy, Earliest Coinage and Isonomia

chair: Alexander HERDA

9:00-9:30

13) Marek VERČÍK (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich)
Early Iron Technology in the Aegean: Why do We Always Forget Ionia?

9:30-10:00

14) Ute WARTENBERG (American Numismatic Society, New York)
& Wolfgang FISCHER-BOSSERT (Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna)
Early Electrum Coinage – Innovation or Continuity?

10:00-10:30

15) Charlotte SCHUBERT (University of Leipzig)
The Emergence of isonomia in Ionia

10:30-11:00

Coffee break

11:00-12:30

SESSION E: Biology, Medicine, Technology and How to Teach
Knowledge

chair: Dirk COUPRIE

11:00-11:30

16) Radim KOČANDRLE (University of West Bohemia, Pilsen)
Anaximander's Conception of Generation

11:30-12:00

17) Elisaveta SHERBAKOVA (Institute of Philosophy, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow)
Nature as a Physician: Interpreting a Technological Analogy in Heraclitus

12:00-12:30

18) Theodosios TASSIOS (National Technical University of Athens, Emeritus)
Technology as a Possible Contributor to Ionian Rationality

12:30-14:00

Lunch break

14:00-14:30

19) Ioanna TRIPOULA (NKU, Athens)
Teaching Methods of the Ionian Philosophers

14:30-16:00

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:

chair: Elena MARTÍN GONZÁLEZ

Each poster has max. 10 min to be presented, plus 5 min for questions from the audience

1) Dimitra MERMIGKI (National Technical University of Athens)

Ornament (Dia-kosmos) Between Art Creation and Theory Under the Influence of the Pre-Socratic Worldviews

2) Lampros PAPAGIANNIS (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

Wisdom, Insight and Knowledge in Heraclitus

3) Liliana Carolina SÁNCHEZ CASTRO (University of São Paulo)

Aristotle's Dialectical Procedure on the De Anima. The Case of Thales of Miletus' endoxon

4) Anja SLAWISCH (Marie-Curie-Fellow at the Classics Department, Cambridge/UK)

Figures in Motion: De-centring Athens from the Creation of the 'Severe Style'

5) Sebastian ŚPIEWAK (University of Silesia, Katowice)

Was Xenophanes a Polymath? Heraclitus About Xenophanean Notion of Knowledge

6) Eleni TSAMOU (University of Crete, Rethymno)

Heraclitus and Democritus on Free Will and Determinism

20:00-open

Dinner for speakers/posters

location: restaurant “Yiantes”, Valtetsiou 44, 10681 Athens

WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER

9:00-10:30

SESSION F: Morals and the Philosophy of Man

chair: Avgi-Anna MAGGEL

9:00-9:30

20) William WIANS (Merrimack College, North Andover, MA)

Moral Knowledge in Homer, Hesiod, and Xenophanes

9:30-10:00

21) Michalis KATSIMITSIS (NKU, Athens)

The Subject of Knowledge: Man in Presocratic Philosophy

10:00-10:30

22) Yiorgo N. MANIATIS (Deree – The American College of Greece, Athens)

ΔΑΙΜΩΝ in Heraclitus

10:30-11:00

Coffee break

11:00-12:30

SESSION G: *Scientia Ionia* and its Afterlife I

chair: Xenophon MOUSSAS

11:00-11:30

23) Sotiris FOURNAROS (NKU, Athens)

A Modern Reading of Anaximander’s Apeiron

11:30-12:00

24) George ILIOU (NKU, Athens)

Presocratics and Current Chaos Theories

12:00-12:30

25) Leonidas BARGELIOTES (NKU, Athens)

Criticism and Transformation of the Conceptions of Nature and Man of Presocratics by Plato and Aristotle

12:30-13:30

Lunch break

13:30-15:00

SESSION H: *Scientia Ionia* and its Afterlife II

chair: Sotiris FOURNAROS

13:30-14:00

26) Pavlos KLIMATSAKIS (NKU, Athens/University of Peloponnesus)
Emergence of Philosophy in Asia Minor– The Hegelian Interpretation

14:00-14:30

27) Apostolos STAVELAS (Academy of Athens)
The Reception of Ionian Philosophy in the Post-Byzantine Thought and During the Period of Neo-Hellenic Enlightenment

14:30-15:00

28) George N.VLAHAKIS (Hellenic Open University, Patras)
The Natural Philosophy of Pre-Socratics in the Framework of Modern Greek Enlightenment

15:00-15:30

29) Ilias VAVOURAS (Aristotle University, Thessaloniki)
Nietzsche and Castoriades's Anaximandrus

15:30-16:00

FINAL DISCUSSION

chairs: Sotiris FOURNAROS, Robert HAHN, Alexander HERDA

FAREWELL

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