Metaphysics and Epistemology in Plato’s Academy



Organized by **Carlo** **Cacciatori** (Durham University), **Giulia** **De Cesaris** (Durham University) and **Emilio** **Zucchetti** (Newcastle University).

This workshop is made possible by support from the Faculty of Arts and Humanities and the Department of Classics and Ancient History at Durham University, and the Northern Bridge Doctoral Training Partnership. The workshop is free and open to the public, although **registration is requested**.

Through the generosity of Northern Bridge Doctoral Training Partnership, **we are able to offer small bursaries** to support postgraduates and early career scholars who would like to participate in the workshop. Applicants are required to send (to the email addresses below) a brief description (max. 150 words) of why they are interested in taking part in the workshop and how their research relates to the topic of the workshop.

The **deadline** for submitting applications for these bursaries is **Friday 12 January 2018**. On Sunday 14 January 2018 we will communicate the outcome of the applications.

To register for the workshop or to attend the dinner on Thursday night, please contact Carlo Cacciatori ([carlo.cacciatori@durham.ac.uk](mailto:carlo.cacciatori@durham.ac.uk)) or Giulia De Cesaris ([giulia.de-cesaris@durham.ac.uk](mailto:giulia.de-cesaris@durham.ac.uk)) no later than **Friday 16 February 2018**.  More information about dinner will be available closer to the conference date.

Please note that the **workshop is meant to coincide with the visits of Lloyd Gerson (Toronto) and David Sedley (Cambridge)** to the newly-launched Durham Centre for

Ancient and Medieval Philosophy on, respectively, 20 and 22 February (for more information, see http://www.dcamp.uk/calendar/).

**Description of the workshop:**

This workshop will investigate the relationships between metaphysics and epistemology as they were interwoven within Plato’s Academy. It seeks to understand the co-implication of the theories of being and knowledge as they are expressed in the dialogue between Plato’s later thought and that of his younger contemporaries (Eudoxus, Aristotle, Speusippus, Xenocrates, Philip of Opus, and Heraclides of Pontus) in the Academy.

**Speakers:**

Thomas **Bénatouïl (Lille)**; Laura **Castelli (Munich)**; Filippo **Forcignanò (Milan)**; Roberto **Granieri (Toronto)**; Victor **Gysembergh (Berlin)**; David **Sedley (Cambridge)**; Georgia **Tsouni (Bern)**.

**Chairs of sessions:**

George **Boys-Stones (Durham)**; Tiziano **Dorandi (Paris)**; Lloyd **Gerson (Toronto)**; Nathan **Gilbert (Durham)**; Phillip **Horky (Durham)**; Federico **Petrucci (Durham)**; Christopher **Rowe (*TBC*, Durham)**.

Date and venue:

February 21st-22nd (2018), Horsfall room, Ramsey House, 25 North Bailey, DH1 3EW. This event will take place in one of the oldest colleges in Durham, St Chad’s. It is situated within a stone’s throw from Durham Cathedral – a World Heritage Site – and we will be hosted in one of the Georgian town houses which St’ Chad’s occupies along the North Bailey.

**Programme of the workshop**

**21.02.18**

09.00-09.30 *Reception and coffee*

09.30-09.40 Opening Remarks

09.40-10.40 Thomas **Bénatouïl (Lille)**

*Speusippus between metaphysics and epistemology*

10.40-11.40 Filippo **Forcignanò (Milan)**

*Mixing Anaxagoras and Plato in the Old Academy: Eudoxus' immanentism and the Theory of Forms*

11.40-12.00  *Coffee Break*

12.00-13.00 Laura **Castelli (Munich)**

*The incompatibility between Forms and Principles in Aristotle’s περὶ ἰδεῶν*

13.00 *Lunch*

14.30-15.30 Roberto **Granieri (Toronto)**

*The*Divisio Aristotelea*67M/32DL and the Debate on the Two Categories in the Early Academy'*

15.30-16.00 *Coffee Break*

16.00-17.00 David **Sedley (Cambridge)**

*Xenocrates and the invention of Platonism*

20.00 *Dinner*

**22.02.18**

09.30-10.00 *Coffee*

10.00-11.00 Georgia **Tsouni (Bern)**

*TBA*

11.00-11.15*Coffee Break*

11.15-12.15 Victor **Gysenbergh (Berlin)**

*Eudoxus of Cnidus and Plato’s Academy*

12.15-12.25 Closing Remarks

More information on the workshop will be available on <http://www.dcamp.uk/events/metaphysics-epistemology-platos-academy/>.

If you have any further questions about the workshop, please, do not hesitate to contact Carlo Cacciatori (carlo.cacciatori@durham.ac.uk) or Giulia De Cesaris (giulia.de-cesaris@durham.ac.uk).

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