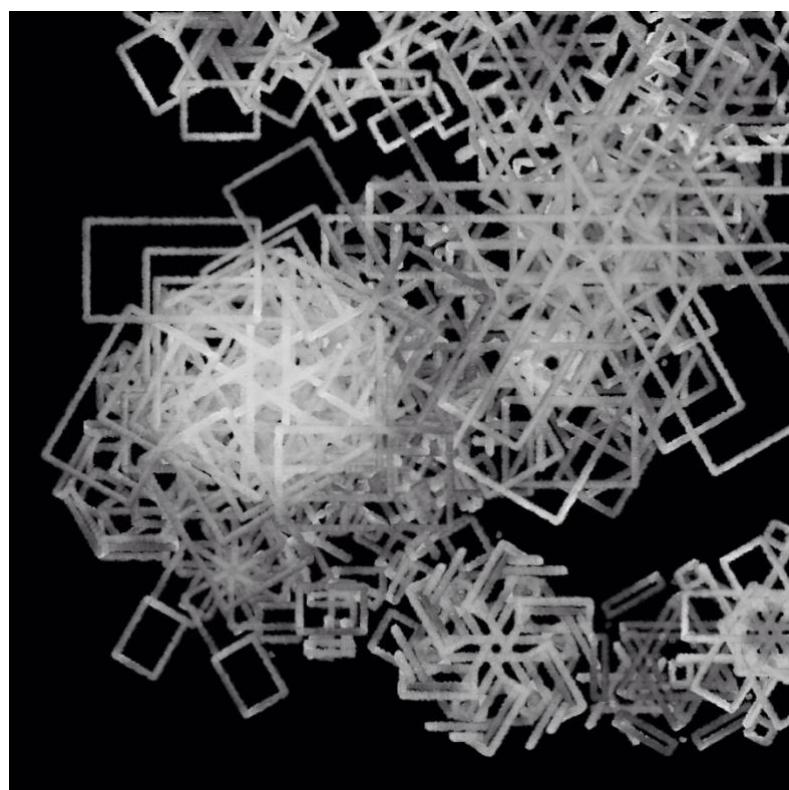


# **Anxiety and Trauma with and Beyond Kierkegaard**

**Conference Programme**



**Existential Philosophy for Times of Change and Crisis, 5th Edition 2025**

**International Conference**

**22-23 May 2025**

**Krakow University of Economics, Krakow, Poland**

**THURSDAY, 22 May 2025**

**9:00-9:50 — James Cartlidge**

Behold, All Things Have Become New: Repetition, Anxiety, and Hauntology

**9:50-10:40 — Jörg Disse**

Anxiety: Søren Kierkegaard's 'Either/Or' and Cognitive Psychology

Coffee Break

**10:55-11:45 — Andrzej Słowikowski**

The Dialectic of Anxiety and Existential Crisis

**11:45-12:35 — Moritz René Pretzsch**

A New Understanding of Kierkegaard's Concept of Despair for Our Present Day

Lunch Break 12:40-14:30

**14:30-15:20 — Yannick Marszałek**

Between Existence and Transcendence: The Role of Existential Anxiety in the Philosophy of Karl Jaspers

**15:30-16:20 — Milan Petkanič**

Kierkegaard's Dialectics of Despair as a Self-Alienation

Coffee Break

**16:30-17:10 — Mélissa Fox-Muraton**

Beyond the Existential and the Psychological: A Critique of the Concept of Anxiety through the Lens of Neurodivergence

**17:10-18:00 — Małwina A. Tkacz**

Anxiety and Trauma in the Time of Pandemic: A Kierkegaardian Perspective

**18:00-18:50 — Maciej Kałuża**

Dizziness of Numbness: Kierkegaard on Antidepressants – A Phenomenology of Loss of Anxiety

**FRIDAY, 23 May 2025**

**9:00-9:50 — *Amanda Platek***

Tell Me What to Do: Technological Freedom and Kierkegaardian Anxiety

**9:50-10:40 — *Cécilia Lombard***

Anxiety, Desire and Corruption – Kierkegaard on the Therapeutic Considerations of Child-Like Sexbots

Coffee Break

**10:55-11:45 — *Marcus J. Carney***

Implication as Distinction — The Implicated Subject as Boundary of Contemporary History

**11:45-12:35 — *L. N. Wyman***

Between Death: Kierkegaard, Seigel, and Heidegger on Suicide and Social Death

Lunch Break 12:40-14:30

**14:30-15:20 — *Edyta Kuzian***

Trauma as Rupture and Revelation: An Exploration of Embodied Perception

**15:30-16:20 — *Cassandre Caballero***

When One's Secret Inwardness Becomes a Commodity: Kierkegaardian and Marxist Perspectives on Religious Trauma

Coffee Break

**16:30-17:20 — *Dominik Kulcsár***

Controlled Irony and Measured Anarchy – Thinking Kierkegaard and Camus in the Time of Democratic Decline

**17:20-18:10 — *Katarzyna Sanak-Kosmowska & Hanna Nasielska***

Rationality & Beyond. How anxiety models memory and how it affects freedom - Kierkegaard and Cioran versus contemporary research.

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