Final Conference of the PRIN 2022 PNRR – DISCERN Distrust in Science Reframed: Understanding and Countering Anti-scientific Behavior

Organized by: Department of Philosophy, Communication and Performing Arts (Dipartimento di Filosofia, Comunicazione e Spettacolo)

In Association with: Department of Education (Dipartimento di Scienze della Formazione) Roma Tre University, Rome, Italy (6 – 7 November, 2025)

Location: Department of Education (Via del Castro Pretorio 20), Room: AULA P1 (Lea Garofalo)

6th NOVEMBER

Time	Event	Chair
9:30	Welcome and Opening Remarks	
9:40 - 10:10	Edoardo Cavasin (University of Aberdeen)	Federico Bina
	"Experts & Laypeople: A Normative Difference"	(University of Genoa)
10:10 -10:40	Kyryll Khromov (University of Geneva)	Federico Bina
	"When Should Citizens Trust Science?	(University of Genoa)
	Pluralism, Values, and Democratic Authority"	
10:40 -11:10	Coffee	
11:10 -11:40	Federico Bina (University of Genoa)	Mario De Caro
	"Normative Trespassing"	(Roma Tre University)
11:40 - 12:40	Finnur Dellsén (University of Iceland)	Mario De Caro
Keynote Talk	"Citation Needed:	(Roma Tre University)
	Second-Hand Testimony and The Cascade Problem"	
12:40 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 14:30	Kinley Gillette (University of British Columbia)	Marco Viola
	"Beyond distrust: Non-Doxastic Bases for Public Opposition to	(Roma Tre University)
	Science"	
14:30 - 15:00	Futura Venuto (University of Bern)	Marco Viola
	"Diversity and Dissent: The Case of Climate Change Scepticism"	(Roma Tre University)
15:00 - 15:30	Matteo Michelini* & Dunja Se selja	Marco Viola
	(Technical University Eindhoven* Ruhr Universit at Bochum)	(Roma Tre University)
	"Asserting Through Disagreement: Modelling Science	
	Communication Under Dissensus"	
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee	
16:00 - 16:30	Tugay Taşçı (İstanbul University)	Tommaso Piazza
	"What Hume Would Have Said!? Realism and Scepticism"	(University of Pavia)
16:30 - 17:00	Joachim Nicolodi (University of Cambridge)	Tommaso Piazza
	"Paradigms and Probabilities: A Kuhnian Reading of the	(University of Pavia)
	Replication Crisis"	
17:00 - 18:00	Katherine Dormandy (University of Innsbruck)	Tommaso Piazza
Keynote Talk	"Gatekeeping by Laypeople:	(University of Pavia)
	How it Supports Trust Between Laypeople and Scientists"	,











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Time	Event	Chair
9:30	Welcome and Opening Remarks	
9:40 – 10:10	Patricia Rich (University of Bayreuth)	Eleonora Severini
	"The Role of Strong Ties in Bad Beliefs"	(University of Pavia)
10:10 -10:40	Maureen Sie (Tilburg University)	Eleonora Severini
	"Making Sense of Social Categorisation:	(University of Pavia)
	A Case Study in Science Communication."	
10:40 -11:10	Coffee	
11:10 -11:40	Noa Cohen (Independent Researcher)	Roberto Ciuni
	"Restoring Scientific Authority and	(Roma Tre University)
	The Protection of Epistemic Rights"	
11:40 - 12:40		Roberto Ciuni
Keynote Talk	Katherine Furman (University of Liverpool)	(Roma Tre University)
10 10 11 00	"How to Think About Health Policy in Contexts of Deep Distrust"	
12:40 - 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 - 14:30	Liam Kofi Bright (London School of Economics)	Michel Croce
	"The Philosophy of the Secular Gurus"	(University of Genoa)
14:30 - 15:00	Andrea Bertazzoli (Utrecht University)	Michel Croce
	"Hiding Hype in Caution: Why "Neutral" Reporting Cannot Secure	(University of Genoa)
	the Trustworthiness of a Commodified Science"	
15:00 - 15:30	SuddhaSatwa GuhaRoy (Roma Tre University)	Michel Croce
	"Journalists and Public Trust in Science"	(University of Genoa)
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee	
16:00 - 16:30	Julia Mirkin (Heinrich Heine University)	
	"Beyond Distrust in Science:	SuddhaSatwa GuhaRoy
	Unpacking the Strategic Redirection of Trust"	(Roma Tre University)
16:30 - 17:00	Louisa Estadieu (ETH Zurich)	
	"The Logics of Distrust:	SuddhaSatwa GuhaRoy
	Complexity Reduction in Climate Denial and Conspiracy Theories"	(Roma Tre University)
17:00 - 17:30	Lorenzo De Stefano (University of Naples Federico II)	
	"E-Trust as an Ecological Phenomenon: A Cybernetic Perspective	SuddhaSatwa GuhaRoy
	on Public Distrust in Science in the Digital Era."	(Roma Tre University)

<u>Discussants:</u> Mario De Caro (Roma Tre University); Marco Viola (Roma Tre University); Sofia Bonicalzi (Roma Tre University); Tommaso Piazza (University of Pavia); Michel Croce (University of Genoa); Roberto Ciuni (Roma Tre University); Eleonora Severini (University of Pavia); Daniele Bondioli (Roma Tre University); Mirko Garasic (Roma Tre University); Angelo Gulina (University of Genoa) Luca Fonnesu (University of Pavia)









