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This symposium marks a century since the intellectual height of the Vienna Circle, whose members helped redefine the relationship between science and philosophy. Their approach to empiricism, logic, language, and the critique of metaphysics shaped the development of analytic philosophy and set lasting standards for clarity, rigour, and a scientific conception of the world.

The contributions reflect how the Vienna Circle's ideas remain relevant (or problematic) within contemporary philosophical debates. The symposium particularly focuses on submissions that show how themes developed by the Vienna Circle can inform current discussions in philosophy of science and epistemology.

# Conference Program

# Thursday, December 4

Time	Lecture room 2.11
9:00-9:15	Introductory Remarks
9:15-10:15	Olga Ramírez Calle (University of Málaga)
	Basic Tenets of Logical Empiricism and their Actuality
10:15-11:15	Matteo De Benedetto (IMT Lucca)
	Putting Tolerance back in its place: Carnap's translational methodology in the Syntax years
11:15-12:15	Aviezer Tucker and Georg Gangl (University of Ostrava)
	The Political Philosophy of Moritz Schlick
12:15-13:45	Lunch Break
13:45–14:45	Boris Vezjak (University of Maribor)
	Neurath's ship metaphor: pragmatic rationality in the context of the Vienna Circle
14:45–15:45	Martin Justin (University of Maribor)
	Neurath's Bet on Random Allocation of Research Funding
15:45-16:15	Coffee Break
16:15–17:15	Ulrich Arnswald (University of Innsbruck / Oles Honchar Dnipro National University)
	Not Really "Unified Science" – Democratization of Knowledge in the Vienna Circle and its Immediate Environment (Neurath, Popper, Feyerabend, Hayek)
17:15–18:15	Marco Giovanelli (University of Turin)
	Cassirer and Vienna Indeterminism
19:30-	Social Dinner

# Friday, December 5

Time	Lecture room 2.14
10:00-11:00	Sybren Heyndels (Charles University)
	In what sense is modal language non-descriptive?
11:00-12:00	Bojan Borstner (University of Maribor)
	Who said: There is no metaphysics? G. Bergmann's Truncated World
12:00-13:30	Lunch Break
13:30-14:30	Tadej Todorović and Janez Bregant (University of Maribor)
	From Sentences to Models: Multiple Realization after the Vienna Circle
14:30-15:30	Vito Balorda (University of Rijeka)
	Waismann's Open Texture: The Many Faces of Biological Mechanism
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-17:00	Mousa Mohammadian (American University of Beirut)
	Logical Empiricist Account of the Epistemic Aim of Science: Revival and Defense
17:00-18:00	Adam Tamas Tuboly (ELTE Research Centre for the Humanities)
	Breaking Up over the Sociology of Science: Frank, Kuhn, and Logical Positivism

# Website

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