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„THEORETICAL RATIONALITY AND PRACTICAL REASON“

15.05 – 17.05.2026

(SOFIA UNIVERSITY, BULGARIA)

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

15.05.2026 Hall 2, Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski” (Rectorate Building)	
9.30 – 10.00	Official Opening
10.00 – 11.00	Keynote Address: Sophie Keeling (National University of Distance Education, Madrid) - Standpoints and spect-actors: social epistemology, normativity, and the performing arts Moderator: Madelaine Angelova-Elchinova
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee Break
11.15 – 12.45	Session 1 (Hall 2): Moderator: Doroteya Angelova
11.15 – 11.45	Santiago Echeverri (National Autonomous University of Mexico) - A Dilemma for Entitlement Theory
11.45 – 12.15	Eduardo Quirino (University of Vechta) - Disinformation is about evidence, not belief
12.15 – 12.45	Luke Copek (Indiana University) - What Should Skeptics Say About Doxastic Wronging?
12.45 – 14:00 Lunch Break	
14.00-15.00	Keynote Address: Neil Levy – (Macquarie University and University of Oxford) - The Road to Damascus: The rationality of sudden political flips Moderator: Lina Georgieva
15.00 –15.15	Coffee Break
15.15 – 16.15	Keynote Adress: Melina Tsapos (Lund University): The Fragility of Epistemic Communities: Authority, Trust and Conspiracy Theories Moderator: Lina Georgieva
16.15 – 16.30	Coffee Break
16.30 – 17.30	Session 2 (Hall 2): Action and Practical Reason

	Moderator: Andrea Ivanova
16.30 – 17.00	Will Patterson (King's College) - Does 'Why?' objectify agency? A defence of Anscombe's Intention
17.00 – 17.30	Lieke Asma (Munich School of Philosophy) - Implicit Bias as a Problem of Practical Reasoning
19:00 – Conference Dinner (@Straight Bar and Dinner)	
16.05.2026	
Hall 1, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" (Rectorate Building)	
10.00 – 11.00	Keynote Address: J. Adam Carter (University of Glasgow, COGITO) - Good Moves: A Risk-Theoretic Account of Telic Know-How Moderator: Madelaine Angelova-Elchinova
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee Break
11.15 – 12.45	Session 2 (Hall 1) – Moderator: Doroteya Angelova
11.15 – 11.45	Satsuki Inoue (Chiba University) - Can testimony generate knowledge-how
11.45 – 12.15	Niels de Haan (University of Vienna) - Group agency and process requirements of rationality
12.15 – 12.45	Madelaine Angelova-Elchinova (Sofia University) - Praising Failure: Can Failure be Successful?
12.45 – 14.00 Lunch Break	
14.00 – 15.00	Keynote Address: Katalin Farkas (Central European University) - Epistemology without Morals Moderator: Marina Bakalova
15.00 – 15.15	Coffee Break

15.15 – 16.45	Session 3 (Hall 1) – Normative Reasons and Motivating Reasons Moderator: Doroteya Nikolova
15.15 – 15.45	Andrei Moldovan (University of Salamanca) - Normative defeaters in reasoning
15.45 – 16.15	Karol Milczarek (University of Warsaw) - Reasons: motivating, normative, and perverse
16.15 – 16.45	Aneta Karageorgieva (Sofia University) - Situated Rationality and the Norms of Reasoning
16.45 - 17.00	Coffee Break
17.00 – 18.00	Session 3 (Hall 1) – The Theoretical/Practical Divide Moderator: Lina Georgieva
17.00 – 17.30	Nikola Stamenković & Miloš Panajotov (University of Belgrade) - The Normative Turn in Metaphysics: Amie Thomasson and the Collapse of the Theoretical-Practical Divide
17.30 – 18.00	Seniye Tilev (Kadir Has University) - Judgment as the Unifying Core of Rationality: Rethinking the Divide between Theoretical and Practical Reason in Kant
18.30 – Cocktail Party, Central Foyer (Rectorate Building)	
17.05.2026 Hall 1, Sofia University	
10.00 – 11.00	Keynote Address: Franz Dietrich (Paris School of Economics & CNRS/CES) - A unified approach to the rationality of attitudes Moderator: Rosen Lutskanov
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee Break
11.15 – 12.45	Session 4 (Hall 1) – Moderator: Rosen Lutskanov
11.15 – 11.45	Martin Justin (University of Maribor) & Nastja Tomat (University of Ljubljana) - Higher-order evidence in non-ideal epistemology

11.45 – 12.15	Nathaniel Helms (University of Oxford) - Doxastic Self-Sabotage
12.15 – 12.45	Ze'ev Goldschmidt (Hebrew University) - The Norm of Assertion Is Not Epistemic
12.45 – 14.30 Lunch Break	
14.30 – 15.30	Keynote Adress: Borut Trpin (University of Ljubljana & University of Maribor) - Coherence under Uncertainty Moderator: Lilia Gurova
15.30 – 15.45	Coffee Break
15.45 – 17.15	Session 5 (Hall 1) – Moderator: Madelaine Angelova-Elchinova
15.45 – 16.15	Alexander Velichkov (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences) - Emotions as Temporarily Transformative Experiences
16.15 – 16.45	Dyuti Ghosh (Jadavpur University) - Co-Cognition and Practical Reason: Towards a Non-Theoretical Model of Mindreading
16.45 – 17.00	Official Closing Addresses