

IICPS 2026 programme

SATURDAY, 6th of June

10 a.m. – Conference Opening

10:20 – Daniel Sherman (University of Western Australia, Australia) – “Embodied Insights: Interoception in Psychedelic Epistemology”

11:00 – Werner Smith (University of Fort Hare, South Africa) – “Heidegger’s Being-Towards-Death and Psychedelic Induced Ego-Dissolution”

11:40 – Mihaela Dragoi (University of Bucharest, Romania) – “The Fine Line Between Transformation and Psychological Escape In Psychedelic Experiences”

12:20 – Dr. Gigla Gonashvili (University of Wuppertal, Germany) – “The Anatomy of the Rite: Artaud, the Tarahumaras, and the Somatics of Psychedelic Ego Dissolution”

13 – 14 – LUNCH BREAK

14:00 – Raluca Bilaşco-Rusu & Cătălin Teoharie (University of Bucharest, Romania) – “REBUS, Markov Blankets and Ego Dissolution”

14:40 - Ştefăniţă Manea (University of Bucharest, Romania) - "Fluid Thinking: Psychedelics, AI Hallucinations, and Informational Constraint Systems"

15:20 – Maximiliano Zeller (Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina) – “Transient epistemic vulnerability and normative capture: toward an ethics of contextual conditions in psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy”

16:00 – Davontae Brewington (Appalachian State University, SUA) - "Psychedelics and the Limits of Evidentialism"

16:40 – Charlotte Oakley (Colorado State University, SUA) – “Unitive Mystical Experiences and Minimal Subjectivity”

17:20 – Karl Friston (University College London, UK) – Keynote Speaker – Panel Discussion

SUNDAY, 7th of June

10:00 – Tiago Faleiro (Global Center for Advanced Studies, Ireland) – “The Sacred as Participatory Disclosure: 4E Cognition, Ritual, and Psychedelic Experience”

10:40 – Mark Losoncz (University of Belgrade, Serbia) – “Psychedelic Pure Consciousness as an Experience of Reality”

11:20 – Danny Forde (University College Cork, Ireland) – “Remythologising Psychedelia: Notes on Demythologisation and Mythopoetic Return”

12:00 – Peter Sjöstedt-Hughes (University of Exeter, UK) – Keynote Speaker

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14:00 – Ioana Ivan (Babeş-Bolyai University, Romania)– ‘I want to be the medicine for others’: An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis of the Influence of Psychedelic Experiences on Mental Health Professionals’ Practice

14:40 – Rawad Yonus (University of Skövde, Sweden) – “What Are We Measuring? A Systematic Review of the Psychometric and Conceptual Foundations of Ego Dissolution and Mystical Experience Instruments in Psychedelic Research”

15:20 - Matteo Sanchez Petrement (University of Amsterdam , Netherlands) – “Psychedelics beyond consent”

16:00 – Andrew Weiss (Publisher, The Psychedelic Blog, Mexic) – “The Therapeutic Framing of Psychedelics and What It Misses”

16:40 – Yogi Hale Hendlin (Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands) – “The clinical implications of ecodelics’ psychological aspects”

17:20 David Luke (University of Greenwich, UK) – Keynote Speaker – “Ecodelia and the art of lichentropy: Psychedelics and creative problem solving”