

Platonism and Christian Thought in Late Antiquity

**International Workshop in Oslo
on the Philosophy of Late Antiquity
Department of Philosophy, University of Oslo – Norway,
1-3 December, 2016**

Programme (Tentative)

Thursday, December 1st, 2016

Arrival to Norway and Oslo – Arrangements at the Hotel

12.00 – 13.00 : Arrival at the Department of Philosophy [IFIKK] – Workshop Registration

13.00 – 13.10 : Workshop Committee Welcome – Presentation of the Participants

13.10 – 13.50 : **Sebastien Morlet**, University of Sorbonne – Paris IV
*The Harmony of Christianity and Platonic Philosophy from
Justin Martyr to Eusebius*

13.50 – 14.30 : **Samuel Pomeroy**, Faculty of Theology, KU Leuven
*‘Those Loving Controversy’: John Chrysostom as a Witness to
Porphyry’s Contra Christianos*

14:30 – 14.50 : *Coffee Break*

14.50 – 15.30 : **Christine Hecht**, Department of Philosophy, University of Tübingen
Porphyry’s demons as a threat for the Christians

15.30 – 16.10 : **Adrian Pirtea**, Free University of Berlin
*‘Two Fountains Which Gush Out By Nature’s Impulse’ – Porphyry and
Evagrius on Pleasure, Pain and the Soul’s Passions*

16.10 – 16.20 : *Coffee Break*

16:20 – 17:00 : **Alex Petkas**, Department of Classics, Princeton University
Local Identity, Ritual and Christian Platonism in Synesius’s Hymn 1.

17:00 : *End of 1st Day*



Friday, December 2nd, 2016

09.00 – 09.40 : **Eyjólfur Kjalar Emilsson**, Department of Philosophy, University of Oslo
Some issues in Plotinus' ethics

09.40 – 10.20 : **Enrico Moro**, Department of Philosophy, University of Padua
Augustine and Plotinus on corporeal Matter

10.20 – 10.40 : *Coffee Break*

10.40 – 11.20 : **Tomas Ekenberg**, Department of Philosophy, University of Uppsala
Augustine on Eudaimonia as Life Project and Object of Desire

11:20 – 12.00 : **Christina Hoenig**, Department of Classics, University of Pittsburg
Augustine and the 'Timaeus'

12.00 – 12.40 : **Lars Fredrik Janby**, Department of Philosophy, University of Oslo
(TBA)

12.40 – 13.30 : *Lunch*

13.30 – 14.10 : **Joshua Robinson**, Department of Theology, Durham University
Creation and Emanation: What is the Difference?

14.10 – 14.50 : **Lambros Alexopoulos**, Open University of Cyprus
*The theory of non-existence of matter in Plotinus,
Porphyry and Gregory of Nyssa*

14.50 – 15.10 : *Coffee Break*

15.10 – 15.50 : **Mareike Hauer**, Department of Philosophy, KU Leuven
Philoponus on Differentiae

15.50 – 16.30 : **Daniel Tolan**, Clare College, Cambridge University
*Plato's ζῶα, Philo's νοητικὸς κόσμος,
and the Heremeneutics of the Arian controversy*

16.30 – 17.00 : *Discussion – Announcements*

17.00 : *End of 2nd Day*

Saturday, December 3rd, 2016

09.30 – 10.10 : **Mark Scott**, Department of Religious Studies, Thorneloe University at Laurentian
*Origen's Theological Story about God and Evil:
A Platonist or Christian Theodicy?*

10.10 – 10.50 : **Narve Strand**, Department of Philosophy, University of Oslo
Knowing Right, Doing Wrong: Augustine's Case for the Will

10.50 – 11.10 : *Coffee Break*

11.10 – 11.50 : **Silvia Gullino**, University of Padua
The Protopathe as Exemplum of Evil in Evagrius Ponticus' thought

11.50 – 12.30 : **Dimitrios Vasilakis**, Department of Philosophy, LMU Munich
Neoplatonic Descent: A Proclean Example with a Dionysian Counterpart

12.30 – 13.20 : *Lunch*

13.20 – 14.00 : **Emma Brown – Dewhurst**, Department of Theology, Durham University
*Knowledge as a Relationship of Impossibility
and Intimacy in Maximus the Confessor*

14.00 – 14.40 : **Jordan Wood**, Department of Theology, Boston College
*Creation as Incarnation:
the metaphysical peculiarity of the logoi in Maximus Confessor*

14.40 – 15.10 : *Coffee Break*

15.10 – 15.50 : **Jonathan Bieler**, Department of Theology, University of Zurich
*Either – or? Apophaticism and Cataphaticism
in Maximus the Confessor's thought*

15.50 – 16.30 : **Sebastian Mateiescu**, Department of Philosophy, University of Bucharest
The Doctrine of Immanent Realism in Maximus the Confessor

16.30 – 17.00 : *Discussion – Conclusions*

17.00 : *End of 3rd and last Day*

Sunday, December 4th, 2016

Free time in Oslo

Departures

Workshop Committee

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