

19-20 March 2020 @ ICUB, Bucharest University

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Telling a Different Story: Non-Linear Narratives in Early Modern History

19 March 2020 (ICUB-Bucharest, Strada Dimitrie Brandza, 1)

09:00-09:30 – Introduction

09:30-10:30 – Morning Lecture

Sabrina Ebbesmeyer (Copenhagen University), *What's it all about? Challenges for changing the narratives in the history of early modern philosophy*

Coffee break

11:00-12:30 – Toe the Line

Sorana Corneanu (Bucharest University), *Linearity contextualized: ancients, moderns and the self-reflexive narrative*

Dana Jalobeanu (ICUB Bucharest), *Emblems as magic tools and heuristic devices: Bruno, Bacon and Culianu. An exercise on perspectival contextualism*

Daniel Neumann (Alpen Adria University, Klagenfurt), *The 'bizarre' side of reason: Descartes' and Spinoza's thinking mechanisms and their reception*

Lunch

14:00-15:30 – Taxing Questions

Matthias Roick (Göttingen University), *Short-Circuiting Early Modern Virtue Ethics and Contemporary Moral Psychology*

Giorgio Lizzul (Warwick), *Understanding Fiscality and the Past: The Use of Non-Linear Historical Narratives in Early Modern Italian Historiography*

Ioana Manea (Göttingen University), *Writing about the "Revolutions" of the Mughal Empire: Bernier's History at Odds with the 17th Century "Great Histories"*

Coffee break

16:00-17:00 – Brains and Skulls

Timo Kaitaro (Helsinki University), *Telling a different story on the origin of ideas: the role of language and culture in human cognition*

Veronica Lazar (Cluj University), *Arrested developments in the Anthropology of the Enlightenment*

17:00-18:00 – Evening Lecture

Dominique Brancher (Basel University), *Communications. The exchange between humans, animals and plants in Early Modern Europe*

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09:30-10:30 – Morning Lecture

Francesco Barreca (Museo Galileo, Firenze), *A Non-Linear Approach to Kepler's Three Laws of Planetary Motions*

Coffee break

11:00-12:30 – Science Divine

Stefan Heßbrüggen-Walter (HSE, Moscow), *Beyond Mechanism and Vitalism: God and Life in the Early Modern Period*

Aaron Spink (Columbus), *Early Cartesians, Ethics, and the Role of Teleology*

Giuliano Gasparri (Università di Enna), *Eclecticism in Early Modern Philosophy. Studies on the teaching of the Piarist fathers in the first half of the 18th century*

Lunch

14:00-15:00 – Afternoon Lecture

Christiane Frey (HU, Berlin), *In the Meantime: On Kings, Stars, and Constellations*

15:00-15:30 – Tragedy (Continued)!

Raz Chen-Morris (Jerusalem), *The scientific revolution as a Trauerspiel*

Coffee break

16:00-17:00 – Plant It!

María M. Carrión (Emory University, Atlanta), *Pilgrimage, or The Broken Paths of History in 16th -Century Dried Gardens*

Fabrizio Baldassarri (ICUB Bucharest), *Like a Plant in Plant: the Anatomy of the Vegetative Soul as a Non-Linear Case-Study*

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