

Cognition  
in Ancient Greek Philosophy and its Reception  
Interdisciplinary Approaches

The Conference will focus on the mechanisms, cognitive, emotional, psychic, in general, or psycho-somatic, neurological and neurobiological through which cognition is achieved. We host papers that will focus on the interaction between soul and body, or intellect and emotions, during the process of cognition. The Conference will include important issues and participations that will approach the subject from the perspective of neurosciences. The papers are representative of different philosophers and periods, from pro-Platonic and Classical Antiquity to Late Antiquity.

Organization:

The Conference is organized by Melina G. Mouzala  
under the auspices of the Department of Philosophy of the University of Patras  
and the Research Committee of the University of Patras

Contents/ Topics- Participants

Stavros Baloyannis (Emeritus Professor of Neurology, Aristotelian  
University of Thessaloniki)  
“Anaxagoras on Mind: the birth of Neurophilosophy”

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Douglas Campbell (Assistant Professor, Ancient Philosophy,  
University of Toronto)  
"The Role of Biology in the *Timaeus*' Account of Cognition"

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Katerina Dermon (Professor of Physiology and Neurobiology,  
University of Patras)

Neurobiological correlates of Plato's tripartite psyche; evolutionary conserved interactions determining social behavior.

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Marta Jimenez (Associate Professor of Ancient Greek and Roman  
Philosophy, University of Emory, Complutense  
University of Madrid)

"Aristotle on the Role of Experience in Knowing about the Good Life"

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George Kazantzidis (Assistant Professor of Classics/Latin Literature,  
University of Patras)

"Melancholy, phrenitis and cognitive dysfunction across Sextus  
Empiricus and Galen: A comparative reading"

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Andrei V. Lebedev (Emeritus Professor of Ancient Philosophy,  
University of Crete, RAS Institute of Philosophy)

"Theoretical conflict between naturalistic empiricism and metaphysical  
mentalism in pre-Platonic philosophy"

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Francesca G. Masi (Associate Professor [Storia della Filosofia  
Antica], University of Venice)

"Epicurean theory of representation between physics and epistemology"

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Alexandra Michalewski (CNRSF, Centre National de la Recherche  
Scientifique / French National Centre for Scientific  
Research, Umr, Faculty Member)

"The knowledge of divine principles in Plotinus: some perspectives on  
Enn. VI.7 (38)"

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Chiara Militello (Associate Professor of History of Ancient  
Philosophy, University of Catania)

“The nine steps of knowledge attributed to Olympiodorus and their  
relationship to the body”

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Melina G. Mouzala (Assistant Professor of Ancient Philosophy  
[Platonic and Aristotelian Tradition], University  
of Patras)

*Amathia* and the Role of *Dianoia* and *Thumos* in the cathartic *Elenchus*.  
Plato’s *Sophist* 226b-230e: A Case Study

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Georgios Papageorgiou (MSc), Constantin Potagas (Associate Professor of  
Neurology and Neuropsychology), Nikolaos Laskaris (Assistant Professor  
in Electronics with emphasis on the use of techniques with applications in Art  
and the Environment), Georgia Angelopoulou (Postdoctoral researcher),  
Dimitrios Tsolakopoulos (MSc), Dimitrios Kasselimis (Assistant Professor of  
Neuropsychology)  
Neuropsychology and Language Disorders Unit, 1st Neurology Department,  
Eginition Hospital, Faculty of Medicine, National and Kapodistrian University of  
Athens, Greece  
Department of Psychology, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences,  
Athens, Greece  
Department of Industrial Design and Production Engineering, School of  
Engineering – University of West Attica, Athens, Greece

“Greek mythology and cognition: Questions that transcend time and space”

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Constantin Potagas (Associate Professor of Neurology and

Neuropsychology, Faculty of Medicine, National  
and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

*“ΕΙ ΠΑΝΤΑ ΤΑ ΟΝΤΑ ΚΑΙΝΟΣ ΓΙΓΝΟΙΤΟ ΠΙΝΕΣ ΑΝ ΔΙΑΓΝΟΙΕΝ* or  
The Dream of a Complete Knowledge of the World through Senses:  
The Case of Olfaction”

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Kiki Sidiropoulou (Associate Professor of Neurobiology, University  
of Crete)

"The importance of memory and its contribution to life in Ancient Greek  
Philosophy, especially in Aristotle"

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Corentin Tresnie (Research Fellow at FNRS [Université libre de  
Bruxelles and KU Leuven])

"Cognition and Recognition in Proclus' Account of Perception and  
Learning"

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Vasileios- Arsenios Lioutas, MD,  
Department of Neurology, Division of Cerebrovascular Diseases  
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center  
Assistant Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School

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Irini Skaliara, Professor of Cognitive Science  
Director of MSc Program in Cognitive Science  
Department of the History and Philosophy of Science  
University of Athens, Affiliated Investigator, Neurophysiology  
Laboratory, Center for Basic Research, Biomedical Research  
Foundation of the Academy of Athens (BRFAA)

“Perception and cognition  
in ancient philosophy and contemporary neuroscience”

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Dr. Panayiota Vassilopoulou, Reader, Philosophy, University of  
Liverpool

“Creative Thinking: a Plotinian Approach”

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Fr. Loudovikos Nikolaos, Professor of Dogmatics and Philosophy at the  
University Ecclesiastical Academy of Athens, Visiting Professor at the  
University Balamand (Lebanon), the Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies  
(Cambridge), and Research Fellow at the University of Winchester in the United  
Kingdom.

“Plato and the Unconscious”

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