The 18th South-Eastern European Association of Ancient Philosophy Conference

Alexander of Aphrodisias on Nature and Soul
Physikai scholikai aporiai kai lyseis
Thessaloniki, 24-25 September 2026
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, University Campus
Department of Classics, New Building, 2nd Floor, Room 201

Thursday 24 September

0. **9.15–9.30** Welcome address by Pantelis Golitsis

1. **9.30-10.45 Gweltaz Guyomarc'h** (*chair: Pantelis Golitsis*)
1.1 By what means one might establish the First Cause according to Aristotle. (Διὰ τίνων ἄν τις συστήσαι τὸ πρῶτον αἴτιον κατὰ Ἀριστοτέλη.)

Coffee break: 10.45-11.15

2. **11.15-12.30 Vasia Vergouli** (*chair: Panagiotis Thanassas*)
1.10 How, if there are four causes, matter as an underlying subject does not exist among divine beings. (Πῶς εἰ τέσσαρα τὰ αἴτια, οὐκ ἔστιν καὶ ἐν τοῖς θείοις τὸ ὑποκείμενον ὕλη.)
1.15 That if the same matter were present also in divine things, they too would be perishable. (Ὅτι εἰ ἡ αὐτὴ ὕλη καὶ ἐν τοῖς θείοις, ἔσται κἀκεῖνα φθαρτά.)

Light lunch break: 12.30-13.00

3. **13.00-14.15 Spyros Rangos & Stasinos Stavrianeas** (*chair: Argyro Lithari*)
2.3 What power, arising from the motion of the divine body, comes to be in the mortal body adjacent to it and subject to generation. (Τίς ἡ ἀπὸ τῆς κινήσεως τοῦ θείου σώματος ἐγγινομένη δύναμις τῷ γειτνιῶντι αὐτῷ θνητῷ τε καὶ ἐν γενέσει σώματι.)

Break

4. **16.15-17.30 Doukas Kapantais** (*chair: Pantelis Golitsis*)
1.18 That it is not possible for the world to be imperishable by the will of God if it is perishable by its own nature. (Ὅτι μὴ οἷόν τε τὸν κόσμον ἄφθαρτον εἶναι διὰ τὴν βούλησιν τοῦ θεοῦ, εἰ εἴη φθαρτὸς τῇ ἑαυτοῦ φύσει.)

Coffee break: 17.30-17.45

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5. **17.45-19.00 Máté Veres** (*chair: George Karamanolis*)
1.4 A comment in dialogue form concerning whether, if everything were to happen according to fate, the possible and the contingent would be abolished. (Σχόλιον ἐν διαλόγῳ περὶ τοῦ, εἰ πάντα γίνοιτο καθ' εἱμαρμένην, ἀναιρεῖσθαι τὸ δυνατὸν καὶ ἐνδεχόμενον.)

Dinner: 20.00

Friday, 25 September

6. **9.30-10.45 Peter Lautner** (*chair: Orna Harari*)
1.25 Some remarks contributing to matters concerning providence. (Εἰς τὰ περὶ προνοίας τινὰ συντελοῦντα.)

Coffee break: 10.45-11.15

7. **11.15-12.30 Lia Theodoroudi** (*chair: Klaus Corcilius*)
2.21 That providence, according to Aristotle, is not accidental. (Ὅτι μὴ κατὰ συμβεβηκὸς ἡ πρόνοια κατὰ Ἀριστοτέλη.)

Light lunch break: 12.30-13.00

8. **13.00-14.15 László Bene** (*chair: Refik Güremen*)
1.8 Against the view that form does not exist in matter as in a subject (Πρὸς τὸ μὴ εἶναι τὸ εἶδος ἐν τῇ ὕλῃ ὡς ἐν ὑποκειμένῳ.)

Break

9. **16.15-17.30 Attila Hangai** (*chair: István Bodnar*)
1.11 In what sense is it stated in the treatise *On the Soul*: "For the universal animal either is nothing or exists posteriorly"? (Πῶς εἴρηται ἐν τοῖς περὶ ψυχῆς· τὸ γὰρ ζῷον τὸ καθόλου ἤτοι οὐδέν ἐστιν, ἢ ὕστερον.)

Coffee break: 17.30-17.45

10. **17.45-19.00 Katerina Ierodiakonou** (*chair: Orestis Karatzoglou*)
1.2 Some remarks concerning color. (Περὶ χρώματός τινα.)
1.13 That colors are not introduced in the same way among the other schools and according to Epicurus, as Censorinus the Academic claimed. (Ὅτι μὴ ὁμοίως κατά τε

τὰς ἄλλας αἱρέσεις καὶ κατ' Ἐπίκουρον εἰσάγεται τὰ χρώματα, ὡς ἔλεγεν Κηνσωρῖνος ὁ Ἀκαδημαϊκός.)

Cruise in the Gulf of Thessaloniki: 19:30

Dinner: 20.30

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