



International Conference Programme The Pythagorean Way

Day 1: Thursday, 24th April

09:00 – 10:00 | Registration & Welcome Coffee

Arrival, registration, and informal networking.

10:00 – 11:00 | Opening Ceremony

10:00 – 10:20 Mayor's Speech Sig. Sindaco Giuseppe Caristo

10:20 – 10:40 Assessore Dr. Chiara Menniti

10:40 – 11:00 Welcome remarks from the conference organizers.

Description: A special address by the mayor, community representative for culture and academy staff highlighting the significance of the event and its connection to the town and culture of the region.

11:00 – 12:30 | Session 1 *Political and Ethical Influence of Pythagoreanism.*

(Chair: Matteo Sperandini)

11:00 – 11:30 Prof. Dr. (hp) Krzysztof Przybyszewski | Adam Mickiewicz University (UAM), Poland
"Harmony and Conflict: The Pythagorean Roots of Political Consensus Theory"

11:30 – 12:00 Prof. Dr. (hp) Ana Milosevic | KU Leuven, Belgium
"Death Math: Politics of death and dying."

12:00 – 12:30 Q&A and Discussion.

12:30 – 14:00 | Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30 | Session 2 *Early Pythagorean Thought.*

(Chair: Bozena Ciurlioniene)

14:00 – 14:30 PhD Scholar Ashwini Ramesh Sharma | BITS Pilani, India
"Numbers, Cosmos and Morals: Exploring 'Spiritual Order' in the Writing of Pythagorean Women"

14:30 – 15:00 Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jonas Ciurlionis | Vilnius University, Lithuania
"Philolaus' Concept of *Harmonia*: the interrelation of Mathematics and Music"

15:00 – 15:30 Q&A and Discussion.

15:30 – 16:00 | Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30 Keynote speaker Prof. Dr. Dmitri Tymoczko | Princeton University, USA

"Category Theory as 21-st Century Pythagoreanism"

17:30 – 18:00 Q&A and Discussion.

19:00 | Welcoming Dinner

Day 2: Friday, 25th April

10:00 – 10:30 | Welcome Coffee & Networking

10:30 – 12:00 | Session 3 *Pythagoreanism and its Historical Reception*

(Chair: Prof. Dr. Ana Milosevic)

**10:30 – 11:00 PhD Scholar Matteo Sperandini | École Pratique des Hautes Études de Paris, France/
Foundation Collegio San Carlo of Modena, Italy.**

“Pythagoras as a metaphilosophical archetype in the XIIth century. The case of William of Conches’s *Glosae super Macrobius*”

11:00 – 11:30 Prof. Dr. Maria Concetta Di Giaimo | Societa Filosofica Italiana, Italy

“The Harmony of the Pythagoreans in Simone Weil’s reading”

11:30 – 12:00 Q&A and Discussion.

12:00 – 12:30 | Coffee Break

12:30 – 14:00 | Session 4 *Consonances and Dissonances*

(Chair: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jonas Ciurlionis)

**12:30 – 13:00 Prof. Dr. Marcin Strzelecki | The Krzysztof Penderecki Academy of Music in Krakow
(AMKP), Poland**

“Why Simple Ratios Sound Consonant: A View from the Musical Psychoacoustic Perspective.”

**13:00 – 13:30 Senior Researcher Dr. Božena Ciurlioniene | The Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theatre,
Lithuania**

“The Musical and Philosophical Implications of the Tritone: Legacy of Hippasus?”

13:30 – 14:00 Q&A and discussion.

14:00 – 15:30 | Lunch Break

15:30 – 17:00 Keynote speaker Prof. Dr. Jacomien Prins | Utrecht University, The Netherlands

“‘Disguised as a Pythagorean:’ Marsilio Ficino on Plato’s *Timaeus*”

17:00 – 17:30 Q&A and discussion

Day 3: Saturday, 26th April

10:00 | Trip to Locri

Departure for a guided visit to **Locri**, ancient Greek city steeped in historical and philosophical importance, where the connection to Pythagoras and the Pythagorean school will be explored. Key landmarks and locations linked to the Pythagorean legacy, including temples, ruins, and other notable archaeological sites, will be visited.

14:00 – 15:00 | Return to Guardavalle

Lunch | Closing Remarks & Future Directions

Summary of the conference, key takeaways, and final thoughts from the organizers.