PANEL 4. Chair: Florian Schaffenrath (Innsbruck) 14:30 – 16:00

Niall Slater (Atlanta), Supplementary Similes and Metamorphic (Dis-)Embodiment: Vegio's Revisions of Vergil

George Kazantzidis (Patras), Mental Illness, Cognitive Errors and Cognitive Therapy in Caelius Aurelianus' De morbis chronicis

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 - 18:30

Yasmin Haskell (Melbourne), Programming Piety: The Cognitive-Affective Codes of Jesuit Poetic Pedagogy

Martin Korenjak (Innsbruck), Virtual Space Travel in Early Modern Times

Concluding Remarks

Conference Dinner 20:30

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Programme

he growing scholarly dialogue between cognitive theories and the humanities has recently conquered the scholarly discourse of Classical Studies. The relevant critical discourse has focused on the ways in which the cognitive process explicitly or implicitly runs through mental and bodily processes, as well as through the world of Greek and Roman society, and in particular through culture, technology, science, medicine, philosophy, art, literature and theatre. The conference will raise these questions in the context of Latin texts from Late antiquity, the Middle Ages and the Early Modern Period. The discussion will cover a wide range of texts and topics, such as philosophical theories on the nature of the soul, but also issues such as the literary analysis of metaphors or sociological approaches to the production and dissemination of knowledge. The conference aims to make a substantial contribution to the interdisciplinary dialogue between late Latin literature and cognitive approaches.

Thursday, May 30, 2024

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome and general introduction

PANEL 1. Chair: Chrysanthe Tsitsiou-Chelidoni (Thessaloniki) 9:15 – 10:45

Paul Dilley (Iowa), Monastic Renunciation, Hagiography, and Mental Health

Stefan Tilg (Freiburg), How Do They Know? Knowledge of Invented Characters and Events in Early Modern Latin Prose Fiction

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 - 13:30

Maik Patzelt (Berlin), On Martyrs, Demons and Devils: A Cognitive Approach to Christian Horror Stories

Sean Leatherbury (Dublin), Living and Thinking with Things in Late Antiquity: Ennodius on Firmina's Jewelry

Isabella Sandwell (Bristol), Embodied Doctrine: The Cognitive Benefits of Using Material Images of Natural Reproduction to Represent Relations Between the Divine Father and Son

13:30 – 14:30 Lunch

PANEL 2. Chair: Evina Sistakou (Thessaloniki) 14:30 – 16:45

Roy Gibson (Durham), Late Antique Letter Collections as Extended Cognition?

Anders K. Petersen (Aarhus), Changing the Mind of the Unlearned and the Ill Taught: Cognitive Perspectives on Augustine's Teaching in De cathecizandis rudibus and De utilitate credenda

Katharine Earnshaw (Exeter), St Augustine and Bede: A Crossover Between Environmental and Cognitive Approaches

16:45 – 17:15 Coffee break 17:15 - 18:45

Istvan Czachesz (Tromsø), A Cognitive Neuroscience Approach to Apocalyptic Literature: The Visio Pauli as a Test Case

Niklaus Largier (Berkeley), The Symbolic Potential of Form: Shaping Cognition in Prayer

Keynote Lecture 18:45 – 19:45

Miranda Anderson (Edinburgh), A History of Distributed Cognition: Antiquity, the Middle Ages and the Early Modern Period

Friday, May 31, 2024

PANEL 3. Chair: Panagiota Sarischouli (Thessaloniki) 9:00 – 10:30

Anna Novokhatko (Thessaloniki), Embodied and Situated Cognition in Augustine's Discussions on Metaphor

M. William Short (Exeter), Alanus de Insulis' Omnis mundi creatura from the Perspective of Cognitive Linguistics

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 13:30

Frank Bezner (Freiburg), Cognition and Perception in 12th Century Latin Lyrics

Racha Kirakosian (Freiburg), Meister Eckhart's Theory of Mind: Towards Neuromedievalism

Jesper Sørensen (Aarhus), Malleus Maleficarum: Magic and Witchcraft Between Community and State

> 13:30 – 14:30 Lunch