

Platonic Dialectic – Inquiring Into the Nature of Things

May 31st – June 2nd, 2018

Conference under the DICTUM project, University of Bergen, Norway

(To attend the conference, please register with Kirsten.Bang@uib.no no later than May 10th)

Thursday, May 31st

10.00-10.15 **Welcome**

10.15-11.15 **Vasilis Politis (Trinity College Dublin)**

Dialectic *versus* epistemology in regard to Plato

11.15-11.45 **Discussion**

11.45-13.00 **Lunch**

13.00-13.45 **Evan Rodriguez (Idaho State University)**

A Long Lost Relative in the *Parmenides*? Plato's Family of Dialectical Methods

13.45-14.15 **Discussion**

14.15-14.30 **Break**

14.30-15.15 **Vivil Valvik Haraldsen (University of Oslo)**

What does dialectic tell us about reason in the *Republic*?

15.15-15.45 **Discussion**

15.45-16.00 **Break**

16.00-16.45 **Pauline Sabrier (Sun Yat-Sen University, Zhuhai campus)**

The role of the *ti esti* question in Plato's *Sophist*

16.45-17.15 **Discussion**

Friday, June 1st

9.00-10.00 **Walter Mesch (Universität Münster)**

Between Variety and Unity. How to deal with Plato's Dialectic?

10.00-10.30 **Discussion**

10.30-10.45 **Break**

10.45-11.30 **Marilena Vlad (University of Bucharest, Al. Dragomir Institute)**

Dialectic and Philosophical Divination

11.30-12.00 **Discussion**

12.00-13.00 **Lunch**

13.00-13.45 **Kristian Larsen (University of Bergen)**

Defining rhetoric dialectically – in defense of Socratic divisions in Plato's *Gorgias*

13.45-14.15 **Discussion**

14.15-14.30 **Break**

14.30-15.15 **Cristina Ionescu (The Catholic University of America)**

The Philosopher's Dialectical Art in the *Phaedrus*: What are the Objects that we Collect and Divide?

15.15-15.45 **Discussion**

15.45-16.00 **Break**

16.00-16.45 **Justin Vlasits (Eberhard-Karls Universität Tübingen)**

Plato's Dialectical Methods

16.45-17.15 **Discussion**

19.30 **Conference dinner**

Saturday, June 2nd

9.30-10.30 **Pauliina Remes (Uppsala University)**

Plotinus on Dialectic: Ennead I.3

10.30-11.00 **Discussion**

11.00-11.15 **Break**

11.15-12.00 **Emily Austin (Wake Forest College)**

The Special Object of Dialectic in Plato's *Charmides* and *Euthydemus*

12.00-12.30 **Discussion**

12.30-14.00 **Lunch/Conference meeting**

14.00-14.45 **Naoya Iwata (University of Oxford)**

Collection and Division and the Method of Hippocrates in Plato's *Phaedrus*

14.45-15.15 **Discussion**

15.15-15.30 **Goodbye**

For additional information on DICTUM, see <http://www.uib.no/en/rg/antikf/108976/dictum---divide-and-collect-understanding-method-plato>.

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