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THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GREEK PHILOSOPHY (IAGP)
THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER OF GREEK PHILOSOPHY & CULTURE
THE GREEK PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY(GPS)
and other academic and cultural institutions
are pleased to announce the:

24th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF PHILOSOPHY
ON THE TOPIC:
«THE PHILOSOPHY OF INTER-HUMAN RELATIONS AND
THE RELATIONS WITH OTHER NATURAL BEINGS IN THE GLOBAL ERA»

The Conference will take place in the famous island of **Samos (Pythagorion)** in **Greece from 17th -21st of July 2012.**

The Conference intends to provide a broad forum for exploring crucial issues concerning the Philosophy of human relations and the relations to other beings in our age. This means that all legitimate fields of study and philosophical research are included in the scope of the Conference, provided that the authors of conference papers concentrate on the main issues of the Conference. We are particularly interested in all branches of philosophy and of course we pay special attention to academic research papers relevant to the burning moral issues and problems concerning inter-human bonding and other relations and our stance to the world at large in our global era.

The aim of the Conference is to open discourse and to promote the exchange of ideas on the following issues:

1. Inquiry into the ontology of relations
2. Examination and assessment of theories and means regarding kinds of communication among persons, institutions and states (ancient and modern)
3. Review and evaluation of theories (or conceptions) of friendship, love, eros, agape and enmity (ancient and modern)
4. Inquiry into theories that have (a) been put forth and implemented as bases for human bonding and (b) what conclusions can be drawn from these experiences and (c) to examine the influence of these concepts on such aspects of human intercourse and on social institutions such as community cohesiveness, communication among persons, social dialogue and communication among state authorities and citizens, political change and stability, persons well-being and psychoanalysis, communication and rationality. (How do people get together at a time when individualism, alienation, loneliness and fragmentation are on the rise and how can the technological character of our global era help to bridge the gap or reinstate the real communication and bonding among people?)
5. Investigation of the kind of relations that man has developed and adopted towards other beings in the world and evaluation of the results of these relations for humanity and the world itself in our global era.

There are the following categories of presentation:

Category a: The presentation of original academic Papers by **Invited Speakers** (30 min. duration).

Category b: The presentation of original academic Papers (20 min. duration).

Category c: Short presentation of papers (15 min. duration).

Category d: The presentation of papers by Post-graduate Students (**Students' Session**).

Category e: Presentation by Posters (**Poster Session**).

The Papers in *Category a* will address particular issues, evaluate research undertaken in connection with the subject they investigate in the last decade, and provide an overview and synthesis of various philosophical approaches related to the topic of research.

Participants who wish to be considered for *Category a* should express their interest promptly and state their preferences concerning the topic they wish to deal with, and send all the necessary information (a *detailed Curriculum Vitae* and a *substantive Abstract of their Paper*) to the Organising Committee **by 29th of February 2012**. Persons interested in being considered for designation as **Invited Speakers** should fill in and send out Form No 1A to the Organising Committee.

The Organising Committee will cover the cost of board and accommodation for **Invited Speakers** during the days of the Conference. The Papers to be presented by Invited Speakers should be sent to the Secretariat of the Conference by **15/6/2012**.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to provide up to 30 minutes of speaking time to the Conference Participants considered as Invited Speakers, although their expenses will not be covered by the Conference.

In the framework of the Conference there will be a special Session (*category d*) for Students and Post-graduate Students of Philosophy (and of other disciplines too, provided that they have philosophical interests) where they will present their papers.

The Papers should be submitted in one of the following languages: Greek, English. Papers written in Greek should be accompanied by a proper translation into English. More extended texts of Papers (15-20 pages) from all categories (*a, b, c d, and e*) may be published.

Texts in their final version for presentation may be sent by e-mail as Word documents and in PDF format as well.

Abstracts and Papers may also be sent by e-mail as attached documents in the above formats. **Only papers of a philosophical nature will be accepted and included in the Programme of the Conference.**

The Organising Committee and the Academic Committee of ICOGPC reserve the right to accept or reject papers that do not comply with the academic standards of the Conference. (Conference participants are reminded that only manuscripts written in acceptable English or Greek will be considered and reviewed for publication. If you have any doubt about the quality of your text in this regard, and in particular if you are not a native speaker of the language in which your paper was given, please be sure that it has been scrutinized by a native speaker of that language before sending it in).

All Papers presented at the Conference and selected for publication are copyrighted by the Organising Committee and ICGPC and cannot be republished without permission; the exclusive copyright of papers to be published belongs to ICOGPC, unless otherwise stated.

The official languages at the Conference will be Greek, English. Greeks who present Papers are kindly asked to submit an acceptable English translation of the latest version of their Papers which will be read at the Conference. This should be submitted to the Conference Secretary one month before the opening of the Conference.

Applications for participation of whatever kind must be received by the **29th of February 2012 or earlier**. Applications should be made on Participation Form No. 1 and **for Invited Speakers** Participation Form No. 1A. Participation Form No. 2 should also be sent no later than: **29th of February 2012**. Participation Form No. 2 should be accompanied by an Abstract of the Paper to be presented together with an English translation in the case of Greek scholars. The Abstract should be written in such a way as to give a clear indication of the ideas and line of argument that the finished paper will be pursuing.

All participants (**except Invited Speakers**) should send the **full texts of their Paper for presentation (two copies)** to the Organising committee by **15th of June 2012**.

All participants will be notified by e-mail regarding the category to which they have been assigned.

Texts in their Final version {with the indication: FINAL TEXT FOR PUBLICATION } must be submitted no later than the **30th of September 2012**.

BOOK EXHIBITION, POSTER SESSIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Apart from other events, during the Conference there will be an EXHIBITION OF BOOKS (FORM No. 6) and especially books on philosophy (and of course books related to the Conference topic). Authors of books, particularly those connected with philosophy, are kindly requested to send copies of their books so these may be included in the exhibition.

There will also be reserved space and special panels for poster sessions. Material planned for Poster Sessions should be typed on not more than two pages (size: A5). The deadline for applications for poster sessions is **15th of June 2012**. Applications submitted after this date, but **before 30th of June 2009**, may be accepted if there is still space available.

REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE FEES

The Conference is open to all who wish to attend, provided that he or she contacts the Organising Committee and completes the necessary forms (No. 1, No. 1A, No. 2 and No. 3) and pays the Conference fee. **The Conference Fee must be paid by all participants.** Persons accompanying participants must also complete the forms and pay the Conference fee. The Conference fee (see also **Participation Form No. 3**) is as follows:

a. Participants: Before 1 st May 2012:	100 euros
(after 1 st May 2012:	120 euros)
b. Accompanying Persons: before 1 st May 2012:	80 euros
(after 1 st May 2012:	100 euros)
c. Students: Before 1 st May 2012:	60 euros
(after 1 st May 2012:	70euros)
d. Secondary School Students: Before 1 st May 2012:	50 euros
(after 1 st May 2012:	60 euros)

Conference participants are advised that cancellations cause major logistical, scheduling and economic problems for the organization of a Conference of this scope. Outings, receptions and other activities are seriously disrupted by cancellations and schedule changes. We ask that only those who are certain of their attendance submit the forms for participation. **It should be noticed that there will be no refunds of any fees, nor are cancellations accepted.**

The Participation Fee for the Conference should be sent either by cheque drawn on the name of the President of the Conference, or directly to the following bank account number: {National Bank of Greece, Konstantinos Boudouris-24rd ICOP, BANK-BRANCH: 151/622563-23. IBAN ACCOUNT: GR 1501101510000015162256323, Swift Code (BIC): ETHNGRAA}.

The copy of remittance that indicates the name or names of the participants should be sent either by e-mail in PDF (kboud714@ppp.uoa.gr) or by Fax (+30210 9923281) or by mail to the Secretariat of the Conference to the following address: K. Boudouris – 24th ICOP – 5 Simonidou Str. - 17456 Alimos - Greece.

Correspondence related to the Conference should be sent to following address: Professor Konstantine Boudouris, President of the Organising Committee, 24th International Conference of Philosophy, 5 Simonidou Str., 174 56 ALIMOS (ATHENS) – GREECE.

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Any other person who has not already received the present Circular can get information (circular, forms etc.) related to the Conference from the home-pages of IAGP: <http://www.hri.org/iagp/> or <http://www.iagp.gr>

In the belief that this Conference will present an exceptional opportunity for research into and clarification of topics of important philosophical concern, we hope that the Conference will also provide participants with an opportunity for true and sincere communication, recreation and leisure (schole). We look forward to seeing you in the famous island of Samos in the very heart of the Aegean Culture.

With best regards
On Behalf of the Organising Committee
Professor Konstantine Boudouris
President of the Organising Committee

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