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International Workshop

RETHINKING EUROPE

A Philosophical Sketch



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Programme:

10:00 am –
1:00 pm

Michele Nicoletti

(Università di Trento)

Ruth Hagengruber

(Universität Paderborn)

Andrea Pető

(Central European University, Vienna)

Chair: Tiziana Faitini (Università di Trento)

1:00 pm

Light Lunch

2:30 –
4:30 pm

Simon Glendinning

(London School of Economics)

Céline Spector

(Sorbonne Université, Paris)

Luka Boršić

(Institute of Philosophy, Zagreb)

Chair:

Michele Nicoletti (Università di Trento)

4:30 pm

Coffee Break

5:00 –
6:30 pm

Final Discussion:

Future Perspectives

Discussants: Agostino Cambise (LUISS Roma), Roberto Castaldi (eCampus), Sara De Ponte (Genova), Federica Giardini (Roma Tre), Massimo Palma (Suor Orsola Benincasa Napoli), Lavinia Braguglia (Università di Trento)

In the context of contemporary polycrisis, the future of Europe cannot be entrusted solely to familiar models and inherited concepts, still less to the mere enforcement of directives and formal rights. What is required is a collective effort of political imagination capable of rethinking our lexicon and our institutions, while informing more livable forms of practice. This is where philosophy—and philosophers—can make a substantial contribution. This workshop is a concrete step in that direction. While it marks the conclusion of an Erasmus+ project focused on European active citizenship, it is equally intended as a beginning, as it aims to lay the foundations for a think tank and intellectual network bringing together scholars and practitioners from philosophy, history, literature, and related fields. These disciplines provide vital resources of meaning, critical reflection, and imagination that we urgently need to reactivate if we are to develop creative and effective responses to the challenges of our time.

Each invitee has 25 to 30 minutes to present their perspective on the future of Europe and engage with some questions shared in advance. The remainder of the time will be devoted to discussion of ideas and concrete actions alike, such as expanding the think tank, drafting a manifesto, organising conferences across different countries or launching summer schools for young people. A final plenary session will draw conclusions and map out next steps and possible initiatives.

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