

# PROGRAM

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**Day 1, FRIDAY, June 28**  
**ROOM 124 (“Lucian Blaga”), 1<sup>st</sup> Floor**

<b>09:15-10:00</b> (EEST) <i>Registration and receipt of conference material</i> (Welcome Desk, 1st Floor, near Room 124 (Lucian Blaga), Babeş-Bolyai University, 1 Mihail Kogălniceanu Street, RO-400084, Cluj-Napoca, Romania)			
<b>10:00-10:15</b> (EEST) <b>Opening ceremony:</b> Lect. Dr. Aura Elena Schussler, Department of Philosophy, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, and Prof. Dr. Ciprian Mihali, Head of the Department of Philosophy, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University			
<b>10:15-11:15</b> (EEST)	<b>Keynote presentation:</b> <b>Prof. Dr. Stefan Lorenz SORGNER:</b> <i>Nietzsche as Ancestor of Philosophies of the Posthuman.</i> Chair: Aura Elena Schussler, Moderator: Andrei Nuţas		
<b>11:15-11:30</b> (EEST)	<b>Coffee Break (Room 130, 1st Floor)</b>		
<b>11:30-13:00</b> (EEST)	<b>Session 1: Nietzsche, Classical transhumanism, and Euro-transhumanism</b>		
<b>11:30-12:00</b> (EEST)	Nicolás Antonio ROJAS CORTÉS	<i>Overcoming the Transhuman Condition: is it Possible to Philosophically Enhance Transhumanism?</i>	Moderator: Ştefan Maftai
<b>12:00-12:30</b> (EEST)	Marius MARKUCKAS	<i>Sorgner vs. Bostrom, or Nietzsche’s Philosophical Relevance to Transhumanism</i>	Moderator: Ştefan Maftai

<b>12:30-13:00 (EEST)</b>	Juan Ignacio Jaña VILLARROEL	<i>The Non-Enlightened Path to Enhancement: Reading Euro- Transhumanism's via Nietzsche and Foucault</i>	Moderator: Ștefan Maștei
<b>13:00-14:30 (EEST)</b>	<b>Lunch Break (not offered by the conference)</b>		
<b>14:30-16:00 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 2: The Overman, posthumanism, metahumanism, and posthuman art</b>		
<b>14:30-15:00 (EEST)</b>	Aura Elena SCHUSSLER	<i>An Approach to Patricia Piccinini's Posthuman Artworks Through the Lens of a Weak Nietzscheanism</i>	Moderator: Anton Crișan
<b>15:00-15:30 (EEST)</b>	Abhinaba CHATTERJEE	<i>The Metahuman Overman Berenger: Nietzsche and Metahumanism in Ionesco's Plays</i> <b>(ONLINE)</b>	Moderator: Anton Crișan
<b>15:30-16:00 (EEST)</b>	Philipp WOLF	<i>Nietzsche's Physiology of Art, Posthumanism and Metahumanism</i> <b>(ONLINE)</b>	Moderator: Anton Crișan
<b>16:00-16:15 (EEST)</b>	<b>Coffee Break (Room 130, 1st Floor)</b>		
<b>16:15-17:45 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 3: Euro-transhumanism, posthumanism, Nietzsche, education, and environmental ethics</b>		
<b>16:15-16:45 (EEST)</b>	Diksha TRIPATHI	<i>Beyond Humanist Ramifications of Nietzschean Aesthetics</i> <b>(ONLINE)</b>	Moderator: Ștefan Maștei

<b>16:45-17:15 (EEST)</b>	Tamara KAMATOVIC	<i>“On Becoming (More Than) Who You Are”</i> : A Euro-Transhumanist and Nietzschean Approach to Pedagogy	Moderator: Ștefan Maștei
<b>17:15-17:45 (EEST)</b>	Andrei NUȚAȘ	<i>The Übermensch, Transhumanism, and Environmental Ethics: Navigating the Tensions and Possibilities</i>	Moderator: Ștefan Maștei
<b>17:45-18:00 (EEST)</b>	<b>Coffee Break (Room 130, 1st Floor)</b>		
<b>18:00-19:00 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 4: Nietzsche, AI, and agency</b>		
<b>18:00-18:30 (EEST)</b>	David RODEN	<i>‘Nietzschean Hyperagents’</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nuțaș
<b>18:30-19:00 (EEST)</b>	Damian MINGLE	<i>Unveiling Infinity: AI Simulations and Nietzsche's Eternal Recurrence (ONLINE)</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nuțaș
<b>20:00 (EEST)</b>	<b>Welcoming Dinner (offered by the conference) at Café Bulgakov</b>		

**Day 2, SATURDAY, June 29**  
**ROOM 124 (“Lucian Blaga”), 1<sup>st</sup> Floor**

<b>09:30-11:30 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 1: Nietzsche, ‘will to power’, politics, transhumanism, and posthumanism</b>		
<b>09:30-10:00 (EEST)</b>	Ștefan MAFTEI	<i>Nietzsche and Rhetoric: Challenges of Reading Nietzsche as a Posthumanist</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nușas
<b>10:00-10:30 (EEST)</b>	Frédéric BALMONT	<i>Our Nietzschean Free Riders</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nușas
<b>10:30-11:00 (EEST)</b>	Sven GELLENS	<i>Einverleibung as Underestimated Intersection Between Nietzsche and Transhumanism</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nușas
<b>11:00-11:30 (EEST)</b>	Zoe ERMINI	<i>The Injustice of Justice: For an An-archic Transvaluation of Punishment</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nușas
<b>11:30-11:45 (EEST)</b>	<b>Coffee Break (Room 130, 1st Floor)</b>		
<b>11:45-13:15 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 2: Nietzsche, transhumanism, and human enhancement</b>		
<b>11:45-12:15 (EEST)</b>	Márk HORVÁTH & Ádám LOVÁSZ	<i>Getting Over the Human with Friedrich Nietzsche: Twilight of the Transhuman Idols</i>	Moderator: Anton Crișan

<b>12:15-12:45 (EEST)</b>	Thomas STEINBUCH	<i>Exploring Nietzsche's Politics of Isolation from an Epi-eugenics Framework: A New Perspective on the Marriage of Dionysus and Ariadne as "Ariadne AI" (ONLINE)</i>	Moderator: Anton Crişan
<b>12:45-13:15 (EEST)</b>	Nikita SIVERTS	<i>Possibility and Normativity Changing Human Nature</i>	Moderator: Anton Crişan
<b>13:15-15:15 (EEST)</b>	<b>Lunch Break (offered by the conference) at <i>Insomnia Caffe &amp; Bistro</i></b>		
<b>15:15-16:45 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 3. Nietzsche, rhetoric, posthumanism, and AI</b>		
<b>15:15-15:45 (EEST)</b>	Sifatun NOOR	<i>Locating the Connection between Nietzschean Philosophy and Artificial Intelligence through the Case Study of Black Mirror (ONLINE)</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nuţas
<b>15:45-16:15 (EEST)</b>	Mervat Abdel NASSER	<i>The Hermetic Roots of Nietzsche's Übermensch. Towards an Ancient/Future Self</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nuţas
<b>16:15-16:45 (EEST)</b>	Antonis SARRIS	<i>Nietzsche's Aphoristic Discourse as a Posthuman Enunciation (ONLINE)</i>	Moderator: Andrei Nuţas
<b>16:45-17:00 (EEST)</b>	<b>Coffee Break (Room 130, 1st Floor)</b>		



<b>17:00-18:30 (EEST)</b>	<b>Session 4. Nietzsche, self-overcoming, health, religion, and the posthuman</b>		
<b>17:00-17:30 (EEST)</b>	Sajan KARN	<i>The Übermensch, Morality of Breeding and Brahmanism</i>	Moderator: Ștefan Maftei
<b>17:30-18:00 (EEST)</b>	Emmanuel Jakob AUERBACH-BAIDANI	<i>Pasture of Wind: Nietzsche's Ecclesiastical Revaluation</i>	Moderator: Ștefan Maftei
<b>18:00-18:30 (EEST)</b>	Gitanjaly CHHABRA	<i>Nietzsche's Principle of Self-Overcoming: Posthuman Paradigm Shift of Becoming</i> <b>(ONLINE)</b>	Moderator: Ștefan Maftei
<b>18:30-18:45 (EEST)</b>	<b>Coffee Break (Room 130, 1st Floor)</b>		
<b>18:45-19:45 (EEST)</b>	<b>Keynote presentation:</b> <b>Yunus TUNCEL:</b> <i>Artistic Power, Plasticity and the Dionysian in Nietzsche and Posthuman Aesthetics</i> Chair: Aura Elena Schussler, Moderator: Andrei Nușas		
<b>19:45-20:00 (EEST)</b>	<b>Closing Session</b>		

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- Welcoming Dinner at *Café Bulgakov*  
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### Day 2, SATURDAY, June 29

- Lunch at *Insomnia Caffè & Bistro*  
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