

Call for papers

Averroism between the 15th and 17th century

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General theme of the conference

Over the last decades, many scholars around the world have organised symposiums, workshops and international conferences on philosophical works of Averroes and the legacy of his thought. Historians of philosophy perceive the so-called “Averroism” as one of the main traditions in late 13th century philosophy. During the 16th century, the editions of collected works by Aristotle were most often published with commentaries by Averroes. Averroes continued to be widely used down to the early 17th century. The aim of this conference is to invite scholars to discuss various attitudes towards Averroes, Averroism or anti-Averroism between the 15th and 17th century. The aim of our conference is to explore the influence of Averroes, to pinpoint the difficulties of the interpretation of his works, to study his followers and critics in the Latin, Arabic, Hebrew and Byzantine traditions.

The main suggested topics of the conference:

- The analysis of the arguments and theses characteristic of the positions known as Latin averroism and anti-averroism.
- The reception of Averroes in the Arabic and Jewish world.
- The difficulties of the interpretations of Averroes and Averroists.
- The differences between Averroes and Averroists.
- The translations of Averroes into Latin or Hebrew.
- The impact of Averroes (metaphysics, natural philosophy, psychology, ethics, logic).
- Averroes as a part of university studies.
- Any contributions on less-known or neglected Renaissance and Baroque authors are very welcome.

The official language of the conference is **English**. Proposals for **30 minute** presentations (including 10 minutes for discussion) should include a **300-word abstract and 100-word academic biography**. All submissions should include the presenter’s name, institution affiliation, contact information, and presentation title. Scholars interested in participating are kindly invited to send the title, the abstract and the short-academic biography to **Jozef Matula** (jozef.matula@upol.cz) by **July 15th, 2016**.

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