

Metaphor in Ancient Greek Philosophy (with a Special Focus on Emotions)

- RUHR-UNIVERSITÄT - BOCHUM -

Wednesday, 2.12. 2026 (Room GA 3/34):

9–9.15: Welcome: Chiara Ferella and Barbara Sattler

Chair: Barbara Sattler (RUB)
9.15–10.15: **Natasha Roggo-van Luijn** (Ulm University), “From Conceptual Metaphor to Analogical Model: Embryos and Plants in Ancient Greek Thought”

10.15–11.15: **Enrico Piergiacomi** (Pegaso Telematic University, Naples), “Heuristic Sublime Metaphors in Empedocles”
11.15–11.45: Coffee break

Chair: Luca Dondoni (RUB)
11.45–12.45: **Marco Picciafuochi** (Roma Tre University), “Trials, Statues, and Dangerous Seas: A Survey of Plato’s Metaphorical Understanding of Discussion in the Republic”
12.45–14.00: Lunch break

14–15.00: **Lucien van Beek** (Leiden University), “The archery metaphor for Speech and Thought in Ancient Greek thought”

Chair: Andrés Montenegro (RUB)
15–16.00: **Alexandros Azaizes** (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki), “From the Flow of the Soul to the Movement of the Spirits: Conceptualizing Emotion from Plato to Descartes”

16.00–16.30: Coffee break
Chair: Chiara Ferella (RUB)
16.30–18.00: Keynote: **Douglas Cairnes** (University of Edinburgh), “Economies of Esteem: τιμή as Commodity in Homer”

Thursday, 3.12. 2026 (Room GA 6/153):

Chair: Clément Heidsieck (RUB)
9.00–10.00: **Panagiotis Poulakidas** (Hellenic Open University), “Passion in Motion, the Soul in Disease: Metaphor and the Stoic Conceptualization of Emotion”

10.00–11.00: **Camilla Guido** (University of Bologna): “Πόλις ἀτείχιστος: Metaphor, Fear of Death and Therapy of Emotions in Epicurean Thought”
11.00–11.30: Coffee Break

Chair: Jeong-joo Lee (RUB)
11.30–12.30: **Camille Marrou** (Ens de Lyon): “From Perturbations to Affects: Metaphors of Movement and Disease in the Translation of Greek πάθος”

