

# Philo of Alexandria and Philosophical Discourse

## 12–13 May 2019

### Sunday, 12 May

#### SUNDAY CONFERENCE VENUE

Evangelisch - Theologische Fakultät  
Universitätsstraße 13-17, Raum ETH 102

#### SESSION ONE – PHILO JUDAEUS IN DIALOGUE WITH PHILOSOPHICAL SCHOOLS AND TRADITIONS

13.00–13.15 Welcome and Opening Remarks

13.15–14.15 **“Philo’s Library and the Libraries of  
Philosophical Schools”**

Gregory Sterling, Yale Divinity School

14.45–15.45 **“The Difficulty of Being Theologically and  
Philosophically Orthodox: Reincarnation and Afterlife as  
a Test Case”**

Rainer Hirsch-Luipold, Universität Bern

#### SESSION TWO – PHILO’S PHILOSOPHICAL TREATISES: THE CASE OF *QUOD OMNIS PROBUS LIBER SIT*

15.45–16.45 **“Exemplary Ethics in Philo’s *Every Good  
Man is Free*”**

Maren Niehoff, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

17.15–18.15 **“Stoicism, Platonism and Judaism in the  
*Omnis Probus*: Philo’s Authorial Stance”**

Troels Engberg-Pedersen, University of Copenhagen

#### RESPONSE

18.15–18.45 **Response to Sessions One & Two**

David Runia, The Institute for Research & Critical Inquiry,  
Australian Catholic University

### Monday, 13 May

#### MONDAY CONFERENCE VENUE

Institutum Judaicum Delitzschianum  
Wilmergasse 1

#### SESSION 3 – PHILO AND SCEPTICAL PHILOSOPHY

9.00–10.00 **“Is Philo’s Moses a Pyrrhonian Hero?”**

Carlos Lévy, Université Paris-Sorbonne (Paris IV)

10.30–11.30 **“Scepticism and Contemplation in Philo of  
Alexandria”**

Mauro Bonazzi, University of Utrecht

#### SESSION FOUR – PHILO’S PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

14.00–15.00 **“What’s in a Name Change? Neo-  
Pythagorean Arithmology and Middle-Platonic  
Namewrights in Philo’s Orchard of Philosophy”**

Michael Cover, Marquette University / Humboldt Fellow,  
WWU Münster

#### RESPONSE

15.30–16.00 **Response to Sessions Three & Four**

David Runia, IRCI, Australian Catholic University

16.00–16.30 **Summary Discussion**

Lutz Doering, WWU Münster, moderator