



# *The Sophistic Renaissance*

*Authors, Texts, Interpretations*

Morning session  
9:00-13:00

**Teodoro Katinis / Luigi Perissinotto**  
Ca' Foscari University Venice  
Opening Remarks / Welcome  
and Introduction

**Eric MacPhail**  
Indiana University Bloomington  
*Peri Theon: The Renaissance  
Confronts the Gods*

**Lodi Nauta**  
University of Groningen  
*Humanists on Sophistic Arguments*

10:30 - Coffee break

**Leo Catana**  
University of Copenhagen  
*Marsilio Ficino's Commentary  
on Plato's Gorgias*

**Marco Munarini**  
University of Padua  
*Rhetoric's Demiurgy: from Synesius of Cyrene  
to Marsilio Ficino and Pico della Mirandola*

Discussion session

13:00 - Lunch break

Afternoon session  
14:00-19:00

**Marc van der Poel**  
Radboud University  
*The Greek Sophistical Tradition in Rudolph  
Agricola's De Inventione Dialectica and beyond*

**Stefano Gulizia**  
Independent Scholar  
*Atticismus and Antagonism: Greek  
Antiquarianism, Scholarly Networks, and  
the Career of the Sophist Alcidamas in  
Renaissance Italy*

16:30 - Coffee break

**Jorge Ledo**  
University of Basel  
*From Wit to Shit. Notes for a (Emotional)  
Lexicon of Sophistry in the Renaissance*

**Teodoro Katinis**  
Ca' Foscari University Venice  
Closing Remarks: Enhancing Research on the  
Sophistic Traditions in the Renaissance

Discussion session

Discussants:

**Eugene Afonasin** (Novosibirsk University),  
**Christopher Celenza** (Johns Hopkins  
University), **Glenn Most** (SNS Pisa), **Carlo  
Natali** (Ca' Foscari University Venice), **Luigi  
Perissinotto** (Ca' Foscari University Venice)

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