

International Conference

# Human Condition in the Anthropocene

November 7-8, 2024

Vilnius University, Aula Parva  
Universiteto str. 3, Vilnius, Lithuania

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, AULA PARVA

09:30 – 09:45 Opening Remarks. **Mintautas Gutauskas** and **Danutė Bacevičiūtė**

**Session I** Chair **Aistis Žekevičius**

09:45 – 10:30 **Andrej Spiridonov** (Vilnius University). Geological Time Scales, Pragmatic Boundaries and the Ultimate Causes—How We Should Approach the Problem of the Anthropocene?

10:30 – 11:15 **João Ribeiro Mendes** (University of Minho, Portugal). The Anthropocene Air Condition(ing)

**11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break**

**Session II** Chair **Mintautas Gutauskas**

11:45 – 12:30 **Audronė Žukauskaitė** (Lithuanian Culture Research Institute). Contingency and Change: on the Ontological Modes of Living Organisms

12:30 – 13:15 **Anda Pleniceanu** (Independent researcher). Anthropocene Logic: Between Ontological Difference and the Ontology of Difference

**13:15 – 14:30 Lunch break**

**Session III** Chair **Audronė Žukauskaitė**

14:30 – 15:15 **Egidijus Mardosas** (Vilnius university). Liberation of Life: Capitalocene and Degrowth

15:15 – 16:00 **Aistis Žekevičius** (Lithuanian Culture Research Institute). A Geoplanetary Critique of the Anthropocene: Kathryn Yusoff & Dipesh Chakrabarty

**16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break**

**Session IV** Chair **Audronė Žukauskaitė**

16:30 – 17:15 **Justyna Stępień** (University of Lodz, Poland). Virtual (Re) Scaling of the Anthropocene in Immersive Artistic Practices

17:15 – 18:00 **Radek Przedpeński** (Trinity College Dublin, Ireland). Matthew Barney's *Catasterism in Three Movements*. Transductive Ecosophies for the Anthropocene

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, AULA PARVA

**Session I** Chair **Danutė Bacevičiūtė**

10:00 – 10:45 **Naglis Kardelis** (Vilnius University). The Need of a Dialogue Between Humanism and Posthumanism in the Face of Anthropocene Challenges: Some Ethical Issues and Paradoxes

10:45 – 11:30 **Kristupas Sabolius** (Vilnius University). Beyond the Anthropocene: the Critical Zoning of Imagination

**11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break**

**Session II** Chair **Egidijus Mardosas**

12:00 – 12:45 **Mintautas Gutauskas** (Vilnius University). Waste in the Anthropocene: Between Forgetting and Vigilance, Deep Time and Human Responsibility

12:45 – 13:30 **Alice Iacobone** (University of Turin, Italy). Anthropocene or Plasticene? Speculative Aesthetics and Chronopolitics for Plastic Futures

**13:30 – 14:30 Lunch break**

**Session III** Chair **Vaiva Daraškevičiūtė**

14:30 – 15:15 **Eliška Fulínová** (Center for Theoretical Study, Charles University and Czech Academy of Sciences). Between Belonging and Distance: Jan Patočka on Dual Stance of Human Existence in the World

15:15 – 16:00 **Linas Jokubaitis** (Lithuanian Culture Research Institute). Robert Spaemann's Defence of Anthropomorphism

**16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break**

**Session IV** Chair **Egidijus Mardosas**

16:30 – 17:15 **Vaiva Daraškevičiūtė** (Vilnius University). (An)Aesthetics of the Anthropocene and the Problem of Landscape

17:15 – 18:00 **Skaidra Trilupaitytė** (Lithuanian Culture Research Institute). The Last Resort, the Real Beach

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