

# PHILOSOPHIA

ROOM

XXV World Congress of Philosophy

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*A Safe Cocoon of Words  
That Matter and  
Transformation*

# ROME

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*'Sala Lauree' di Scienze politiche, Piano Terra.  
Graduation Room, Political Science Building*

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'Sala Lauree' di Scienze Politiche, Piano Terra

**Organised by Catrine Val, the FISP Committee on Gender Issues and Fabricia Giuliani at the WCP 2024**

The **PHILOSOPHIA ROOM** features daily open discussion sessions from **2:00 PM to 3:00 PM**, focusing on various themes that encourage intellectual exchange and critical engagement. Additionally, on two days, there is an extra morning event at 11:00 AM. See the themes listed below.

Catrine Val presents a rotating daily exhibition that visually captures the thematic focus, offering interdisciplinary perspectives. This exhibition is open to all visitors daily from **11:00 AM to 5:00 PM** and invites reflection and discourse. The combination of in-depth discussions and the visual exhibition provides a comprehensive engagement with the presented themes at the heart of the World Congress of Philosophy (WCP) 2024.

**The PHILOSOPHIA ROOM is located in the 'Sala Lauree' di Scienze Politiche, Piano Terra. Graduation Room, Political Science Building.**

# A room full of thinking and acting individuals unleashes a power to re- shape the world.

Our **PHILOSOPHIA ROOM** is a unique space where you can experience the power of dialogue, cooperation, mutual learning, and listening. Let's work together to face tensions, build bridges, revive traditions, and create a more just world.

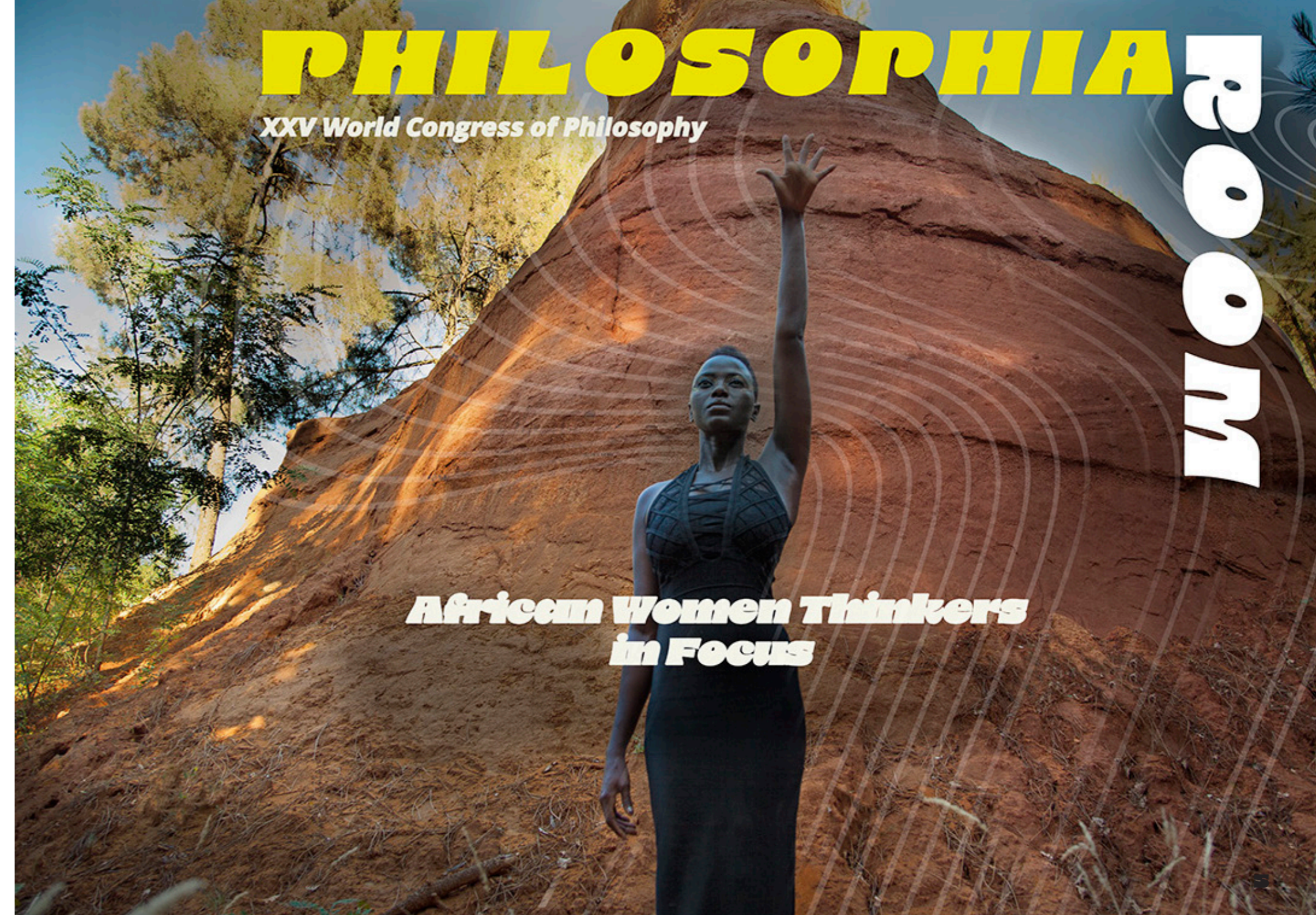
Listening and learning from each other is the most important thing we can do. It's the key to creating a more just, peaceful, and harmonious future. Without this exchange, we remain trapped in ignorance, prejudice, and polarization. We believe that only through attentive listening and open learning can we truly grow. It is precisely in this safe space that we strive to enable this communication – far from 'papers and competition'.

## **African Women Thinkers in Focus**

African women thinkers have significantly influenced philosophy, offering profound insights into issues like social justice, decolonization, cultural identity, and care for the earth. These powerful voices are indispensable and are celebrated right here. This event is the perfect place to share these African perspectives with like-minded individuals as diverse as the continent's peoples and languages. It is incredibly enriching to be inspired by the stories and ideas of African women and to collectively illuminate their rich philosophical approaches, including vibrant oral traditions, under the sun where life began.

**02.08/ 14:00**

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# **Yinyang** **The Way of Heaven and Earth** **in Chinese Thought and Culture**

The concept of Yin and Yang is central to Daoist thought, symbolized by the familiar black and white symbol. It represents the duality and balance of life. This philosophy urges us to overcome the fear of death by letting go of our attachment to life and seeking harmony with the universe. Indeed, life from this perspective becomes a poetic journey into a post-natural world. The encouragement to look inward should not be seen as a retreat from the world but as a grounding of the self that allows the individual to find harmony with the larger universe.

**03.08 / 11:00**

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## **Being Human in the Age of Artificial Intelligence**

Artificial intelligence is no longer a distant future topic. It has already become part of our daily lives and is influencing how we teach, learn, and interact with each other.

We are at a turning point where machine learning and artificial intelligence are not only changing the way we teach philosophy but also how we maintain our human values in an increasingly digital world. We must face these challenges head-on, seeking solutions that strengthen the human in the face of the artificial.

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## **Decolonial Philosophy and Feminist/queer Theory**

Decolonial philosophy and feminist theory are not just tools for analyzing the complex power structures that impact the lives of women worldwide. They are keys to a deeper understanding and a renewal of the socio-cultural landscape from a gender perspective.

This event will be an inspiring space where we embark on an intensive journey of intellectual exchange. We invite those who have a genuine interest and curiosity in the subject and who wish to connect with others to expand and deepen their understanding.

**04.08 / 14:00**

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## **A Philosophising Fashion Shoot – A Day of Style and Self-Expression**

Fashion not only reflects the times but also serves as a powerful tool for self-realization and social liberation. Here, we will highlight the timeless connection between fashion, female strength, and thought. Catrine Val is a specialist in capturing the philosophical look. The captivating setting of Rome, the heart of fashion, serves as the architectural and historical backdrop of the conference. The resulting imagery of participating philosophers is created exclusively for personal remembrance. Everyone is welcome to celebrate the uniqueness of philosophers.

**04.08/ the whole day.**

**Just feel free to drop by.**

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## Neighbors, Mothers, Daughters in the Middle East – All Invited

We warmly invite you to join us for an open discussion circle dedicated to dreams, the future, and the rich stories passed down through generations. This circle is for the voices of the Middle East – the neighbors, mothers, daughters, and community members whose experiences have shaped and will continue to shape our collective narrative.

In this circle, we aim to create a space where visions, tensions, struggles, and stories can be shared and honored. It is a place of listening, where every person has the opportunity to raise their voice and share their experiences. The exchange of stories can generate deeper understanding.

By coming together, we celebrate the strength and resilience of women, forging bonds that light the path to a hopeful future.

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## **The Legacy of Wisdom: Women Philosophers in History**

We honor the courageous voices of women in the historical past of philosophy and celebrate their pioneering contributions to the philosophical landscape. In the face of growing concerns about a possible return to censorship and the dedication of women to thought and knowledge, this reflection is more important than ever. We honor the diverse richness of philosophical thoughts and ideas shaped by women from various cultures and contexts over centuries. The passion for the written word is not guaranteed—women still struggle for the right to study and raise their voices in philosophical discourse.

**6.08/ 11:00**

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***The Legacy of Wisdom:  
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## **Empowering Voices Against Gender Violence**

Let's be honest, we've all experienced it at some point. It is unacceptable that violence is too often unseen, denied, or hidden out of shame. It is embedded in a parallel reality that renders the suffering of those affected invisible. This event is a place where we can undertake a careful and empathetic analysis of the gender dynamics and inequalities in our society. This is more than just a space. Even here, in Italian society, where patriarchal structures are still deeply rooted, we listen attentively and examine the power relations and structural violence that women, transgender individuals, and all those deemed weaker experience daily. It also serves as a platform and a performative engagement to uncover and collectively overcome the social, cultural, and political dimensions of gender and violence. We cannot promise a safer world. However, this workshop and this gathering offer us a significant step toward self-empowerment and the possibility of creating a more just and humane existence.

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## Islamic Feminist Perspectives

This day will offer an inspiring space for exploring the diversity of Islamic feminist thought and discussing the paths of religious and philosophical renewal. We bring together those who have a deep interest and passionate curiosity in these topics. Let's broaden our horizons together and uncover new feminist perspectives in the Islamic world..

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## Nourishing Philosophy

We miss the taste of home the most when we are far away. It nourishes us, connects us, and gives us a sense of belonging. In the heart of Italy, where culinary traditions run deep, we celebrate the kitchen as a space for a philosophical symphony. Here, taste, identity, and ethics merge in a kaleidoscope of passion, motherly wisdom, and knowledge. The senses unite with thought, the nourishing with the spiritual. Philosophy is not just an intellectual act; it is a practice of the body, senses, and taste. We will delve into the ethics of food, the aesthetics of taste, and the political dimensions of nourishment. We will also address issues like nutrition, animal welfare, and environmental responsibility, exploring our moral obligations towards nature, the climate, and the animals that provide our food. In this philosophical kitchen, we feel a sense of community. We will conclude with a spectacular finale featuring Italian food that will lift our spirits and move not only our minds but also our feet in a lighthearted dance!

**It is particularly auspicious for the 25th World Congress of Philosophy to take place in Rome.**

**07.08/ 18:00**

**The location will be announced soon.**

