

List of Speakers/Moderators

AL-KHALILI Jim, School of Mathematics and Physics, University of Surrey, Guildford (UK)

BLANKE Olaf, Neuro-X Institute, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL), Geneva (Switzerland)

CHOMALI GARIB Fernando, Archbishop of Santiago de Chile

DESMOND William, Institute of Philosophy, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)

DEVASIA Antony, Department of Philosophy, Hindu College, University of Delhi (India)

FLEURY Cynthia, Chaire "Humanités et Santé", Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers, Paris (France)

GASTMANS Chris, Centre for Biomedical Ethics and Law, Catholic University of Leuven (Belgium)

LAFONTAINE Celine, Department of Sociology, Université de Montréal (Canada)

LERNER Richard, Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development, Tufts University, Medford (USA)

LUCCHETTI BINGEMER Maria Clara, Department of Theology, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

LYSAUGHT Therese, Neiswanger Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy, Stritch School of Medicine, Loyola University, Chicago (USA)

MAZZUCATO Mariana, Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose (IIPP), University College London (UK)

MUELLER Sigrid, Catholic-Theological Faculty, Institute for Systematic Theology and Ethics, University of Vienna (Austria)

PAGLIA Vincenzo, President, Pontifical Academy for Life (Vatican City)

PELLETIER Anne Marie, Faculté Notre-Dame (Collège des Bernardins), Paris (France)

PIEVANI Telmo, Full Professor of Philosophy of Biological Sciences, University of Padua (Italy)

SCHELLNHUBER Hans Joachim, Director General, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, Laxenburg (Austria)

SEQUERI Pierangelo, Former Dean of the Pontifical Institute John Paul II for Studies on Marriage and Family in Rome (Vatican City)

SIMPORE Jacques, Director Biomolecular Research Centre of Saint Camille, University St. Thomas d'Aquin, Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso)

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Meanings and challenges

Augustinianum Conference Center

Vatican City
February 12th-13th, 2024

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12th

MORNING

8:00 – Registration and Welcome Coffee

9:00 – Moving to Apostolic Palace

10:30 – Papal Audience

11:30 – Coffee Break

OPENING SESSION

Chairs: R. Pegoraro, C. Casalone

12:00 – Welcome address

V. PAGLIA, President, Pontifical Academy for Life (Vatican City)

12:30 – Opening Lecture:

*Anthropologies to the test of contemporaneity
W. DESMOND (Belgium)*

13:30 – Break

AFTERNOON

First Plenary Session: The human being in the techno-scientific age. Multidisciplinary scenarios

Chairs: M.C. Carrozza, N. Simard

15:00 – Does science need to redefine the nature of humanity with the coming of AI?
J. AL-KHALILI (UK)

15:20 – Art as a pedagogical method to understand human. A personal experience
F. CHOMALI (Chile)

15:40 – Discussion

16:30 – Coffee Break

17:00 – Governing the economy for the Common Good
M. MAZZUCATO (UK)

17:20 – Modernity as a systematic “factory” of unworthy situations
C. FLEURY (France)

17:40 – Discussion

18:30 – Conclusion

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13th

MORNING

Second Plenary Session: Human Meanings and Responsibility

Chairs: P. Bordeyne, M. Bofarull B.

9:00 – Panel 1: Human Responsibility

Moderator: C. Gastmans

Neuroengineer O. BLANKE (Switzerland) discusses with Philosopher C. SNEAD (USA) and Theologian S. MUELLER (Austria) on brain implants

10:00 – Open discussion

10:30 – Coffee Break

11:00 – Panel 2: Interdisciplinary approach and rethinking humancentrism

Moderator: T. Lysaught

- *J. SIMPORE (Burkina Faso)*
- *C. LAFONTAINE (Canada)*
- *T. PIEVANI (Italy)*
- *H. J. SCHELLNHUBER (Austria)*

12:15 – Open discussion

13:30 – Break

The change of epoch underway, sees great scientific and technological progress. It is essential to open up a broad dialogue between different fields of knowledge, for a renewed understanding of the human being. Understanding scientific, economic, cultural and social transformations is the first step towards understanding how to guide them at the service of the human person, respecting and promoting their intrinsic dignity.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13th

AFTERNOON

Third Plenary Session: Body and soul, heart and conscience, mind and will

Chairs: G. De Paula Souza, L. Palazzani

15:00 – Created *Isch Ischá*: a theo-poetics of the human body
M.C. LUCCHETTI BINGEMER (Brazil)

15:30 – On Being Human: Developmentally-Nurturant Relationships in Dynamic Systems
R. LERNER (USA)

16:00 – The Spirituality of ‘Being Human’: Towards a Cosmotheandric Vision
A. DEVASIA (India)

16:30 – Discussion

17:15 – Coffee Break

17:45 – A biblical diagnosis
A.M. PELLETIER (France)

18:15 – Concluding remarks
V. PAGLIA, President, Pontifical Academy for Life (Vatican City)

18:45 – “Guardian of Life” Award

20:00 – Refreshments (Reserved to Academicians and Speakers)

EVENING PLENARY SESSION

21:00 – “What is Mankind? (Psalm 8)”.
Olivier Messiaen, Quartet for the End of Time.
A musical reflection by Pierangelo Sequeri (Italy)