

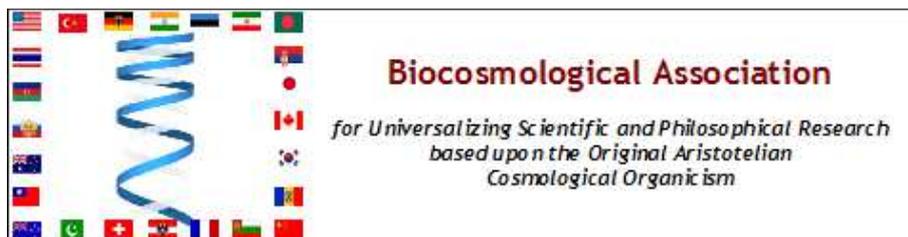


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### CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

11<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Biocosmology (11ISBC), in collaboration with  
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***Philosophy of Nature in the light of neo-Aristotelism (teleological naturalism)  
and other all-encompassing systems of knowledge:  
In the Integralist field of dialogues and interactions between philosophy  
and different scientific disciplines***

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The main aim of the Biocosmological Association (BCA) is the development of the Integralist studies. The latter, in the light of BCA's foundational approach, including Bipolar and Triadologic (dynamic cyclic) principles - is treated as the intermediate cosmological self-sufficient realm of knowledge (Type of rationality). In this, "intermediate" is precisely Integralist, which is located *in between* Two poles and which equally integrates both polar means, while the "poles" (in relation to the rational knowledge) are the Two polar Types of rationality: Plato's Idealist (static) Dualism; and Aristotle's Hylomorphist (dynamic) Realism (Naturalism). (A cornerstone of the BCA's approach is that Aristotle's pole of teleological naturalism and teleological physics has the equal significance in realizing Weltanschauung (*world-view - cosmo-logy*) - one of the Three - as the autonomic (super)system of all-encompassing knowledge). Integralist studies, in turn, have their own natural Holistic foundations, and, naturally - integrate the rational means from both polar supersystems of knowledge - Types of rationality: Plato's and Aristotle's.

A major challenge at the present time is the existing 'cosmological insufficiency' - while Plato's Type of rationality is recognized all over the world and actually dominates (or dictates), and integralist studies are treated as the complementary (or alternative) ones, the polar Aristotle's Type of rationality, and, accordingly, the true Integralist Type of rationality (which is autonomic and located *in-between* Two

poles), so far, are out of the limelight of the contemporary scholarly community. This is certainly the unacceptable and dangerous situation.

In this scope, activities of the Association of Comparative Philosophy and Interdisciplinary Education (*KoPhil*) are essential and compatible. Substantially, however, the comparative thinking method of *KoPhil* differs from the BCA's one. Due to the *KoPhil*'s method, especially in regard to complex ways of thinking - the *identity* needs a *differentiation*: Both are separated categories, and at the same time, one of them is in a circling relationship with the other, depending on each other. As reflection should not remain in a tautology, *identity* needs a *dynamic development transmitted by differentiation*. A *differentiation* needs *the one* to integrate the distinguished categories, in which a renewal of "*identity*" - in sense of a higher leveled integration - can be achieved. *Every step of reflection is accompanied by comparative thinking*.

*KoPhil* develops the process of dynamic reflection that builds up one's thinking, but not only as a transmitter between the two different entities [A] and [non-A], but also as an essential potentiality to *evolve an original theory and system in one's own reflections* with regard to the *unlimited one*. The topos to execute this construction is the *Field of Between* - in the front of crossing disciplines and cultural backgrounds.

Ultimately, *KoPhil*'s approach is based on the modern Plato's (Father of Philosophy) Type of thinking (and mentality), while BCA's approach relies on the rehabilitation of Aristotle's (Father of Science) polar all-encompassing Type of Organicist teleological naturalism (and teleological physics). All the more promising can be their (and of all participants) endeavors to find encountering points in the area of the true Integralist studies. Aiming at this grand aim - we expect and appreciate the freewheeling expression by participants of their views and approaches, thus entering the field of interdisciplinary - fruitful constructive - dialogues and interactions, applying fundamental comparisons and sharp differentiations in valuing the originality of particular aspects. Both BCA and *KoPhil* aim to *construct a new dimension of Integralist reality*. Herein, the significance of BCA's Triadologic approach and *KoPhil*'s comparative thinking and its fundamental method of interdisciplinary philosophy play decisive roles. We expect therefore to attract open-minded, meaningful and highly qualified lectures and articles at the University of Vienna.

Last but not least, it should not go unnoticed that cultural Austria gave rise to many prominent scholars who created breakthroughs in the various areas of science and philosophy, especially in relation to Integralist (Holistic, System, Interdisciplinary) fields of research - i.e. who operated with foundational means of science and philosophy from both poles - as Gregor Mendel, Rudolf Steiner, Franz Brentano, Edmund Husserl, Christian Doppler, Erwin Schrödinger, Sigmund Freud, Ludwig von Bertalanffy, Konrad Lorenz, Viktor Frankl, Robert Reininger, Hans Selye, etc. We expect, therefore, that due to our gathering in Austria and University of Vienna - this cultural climate will become an important additional factor for the successful implementation of the goals of our Conference.

## Abstract

*Deadline for Abstract Submission* (to the addresses below) - **January 15, 2016**.

The abstracts should not exceed 2 pages, and must include:

1. Title of the contribution;
2. Names, academic titles, affiliation (departments, institutes/universities, and cities of authors), email address of corresponding author;
3. Key words (3-5);
4. Text (Font - Times New Roman, single spaced, size - 14, margins - 2 cm).
5. Language (of the whole Seminar) is English.

**Full papers** of presentations (in the form of scientific articles and scholarly essays) are kindly invited to be prepared and sent to Dr. Konstantin Khroutski, editor of the journal “Biocosmology - neo-Aristotelism” - until **April 15, 2016** - for their reviewing and the further publication.

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