

Global Bergsonism Conference

Interpreting Bergsonian Ideas through Philosophical, Cultural, and Literary Interconnections

Date: October 16-17, 2025

Venue: Institut Français d'Études Anatoliennes (IFEA), Istanbul

Conference Program

Thursday, October 16, 2025

9:30

Welcome Reception

10:00-10:30

Opening Remarks

10:30-12:30

Keynote and Updates on the Project (Moderator: Caterina Zanfi, CNRS/ENS Paris)

Frédéric Worms, ENS de Paris

Title to be announced

Alessandro Taverniti, ENS Lyon

“Worldwide Bergsonian Bibliography”

12:30-13:30

Lunch

13:30-16:30

Bergsonism in Turkey (Moderator: Pascale Roure, Yıldız Technical University, Istanbul)

Dilek Sarmış, Université de Strasbourg

Bergson multiscalaire. Une épistémologie des interconnexions conceptuelles et terminologiques entre philosophie, littérature et politique dans le monde turc républicain

Micah A. Hughes, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Between “Total Social Fact” and “Social Institution”: Bergsonian Philosophy of Religion in 20th-century Turkey

30' Break

17:00-19:00

Bergsonism in the MENA Region (Moderator: Dilek Sarmış, Université de Strasbourg)

Khaled Bahri, Université de Tunis El Manar

Perception tunisienne des idées de Bergson : Nature et enjeu

Seyed Ashkan Khatibi, Université de Téhéran

Au prisme de la philosophie irano-islamique : Contre trois (fausses) lectures du bergsonisme

Friday, October 17, 2025

10:00-13:00

Bergson and the Traditions of Philosophy (Moderator: Khaled Bahri, Université de Tunis)

Clara Zimmerman, Institut Catholique de Paris et Université Paris-1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
Le bergsonisme en Argentine : une médiation philosophique entre l'Europe et l'Amérique latine

Anna Kuszmiruk, Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń
Forgotten Dialogues: Bergson and the Polish Philosophy of Science

Doudja Boumaza, Université Grenoble Alpes and Université de Keio
Vers un bergsonisme analytique? Matière et mémoire, une passerelle entre deux traditions philosophiques

13:00-14:00

Lunch

14:00-16:00

Language and Linguistics in Bergsonian Thought (Moderator: M. Owais Khan, Istanbul Zaim University and BILDEV)

Asmaa Ramil, Yıldız Technical University, Istanbul
Secular Transcendence: Bergson, Valéry and Merleau-Ponty on Language as a Gateway to the Ineffable

Tobias Endres, Braunschweig Technical University
An Intercultural Perspective on Bergson's Engagement with the Linguistics of His Time

30' Break

16:30-18:30

Bergsonian Influence on Global Literature (Moderator: Micah A. Hughes, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

Nurgül Şener, Yıldız Technical University, Istanbul
Re-reading Halide Edib's Literary Masterwork in the Light of Bergsonian Influences

Ties van Gemert, Tilburg University
A Bergsonian Prometheus: The Experience of the Anti-Social in Carry van Bruggen

18:30-19:15

Conclusion and General Discussion (Moderator: M. Sait Özervarlı, Yıldız Technical University, Istanbul)

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