THE LOŠINJ DAYS OF BIOETHICS

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23rd LOŠINJ DAYS OF BIOETHICS

(Mali Lošinj, Croatia, May 11–14, 2025)

International symposium INTEGRATIVE BIOETHICS AND NEW EPOCH

Call for papers

Dear colleague,

We would like to inform you that the Croatian Philosophical Society, the Croatian Bioethics Society, and the Town of Mali Lošinj are organising the 23rd Lošinj Days of Bioethics to be held in Mali Lošinj (Croatia) between 11–14 May 2025. Co-organizer of the Conference is the Croatian Centre of Excellence for Integrative Bioethics.

Mali Lošinj is a town on the island of Lošinj (<u>http://www.visitlosinj.hr/</u>), approximately 5 hours' drive by car/bus away from Zagreb, Croatia's capital city (<u>https://www.infozagreb.hr/en/</u>).

The annual international conference *Lošinj Days of Bioethics* became since 2002 the most important bioethical convention in Southeast Europe. Almost 1000 scientists of diverse profiles from thirty-seven European, North American, South American, Asian and Oceanian countries have already participated in the *Days*, as well as more than 400 hundred students.

Within the annual framework of the *Lošinj Days of Bioethics* the central place belongs to the "Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch" international symposium. In addition to the aforementioned symposium, we occasion roundtables on a number of current issues in bioethics, student bioethical workshops, as well as relevant cultural and artistic events.

23rd Lošinj Days of Bioethics comprise:

- "Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch" international symposium (May 12-13, 2025),
- "One World, Multitude of Voices" student bioethical workshop (May 11-14, 2025 in Croatian),
- "Health Care on Islands" roundtable (May 14, 2025 in Croatian),
- accompanying events.

The fundamental aim of the "Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch" symposium is establishing an interdisciplinary, pluriperspective and integrative dialogue on the fundamental problems of contemporary civilisation by using the intellectual stimulus of the bioethical approach. A specific ambition of the Symposium is establishing a relation between bioethics and the philosophy of history, and thus broadening the pluriperspective openness of the issues and areas that bioethics deals with.

In addition to discussing the relations between bioethics and science, i.e. the bioethical status of science and the scientific status of bioethics, the widest range of bioethical topics - from issues of clinical practice to global ecological problems - is also expected to be presented and come to the fore.

Papers in the "Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch" Symposium can be presented in any of the three languages: Croatian, English or German. The time allotted for each presentation is 15 minutes. The Symposium will work following the division into two or three parallel sections.

Registration

Provided that you accept the invitation to participate in the "Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch" symposium, we kindly ask you to submit a filled in **registration form** containing the precise **title of your paper** and a **brief abstract in either English or German** (up to 900 characters) by April 1, 2025 at the latest.

Then you will be notified about our acceptance of your paper, and your travel and accommodation details within Croatia. You will also be posted the final conference programme. You will be given the conference publication – which will contain both the programme and the submitted paper abstracts – at the Conference.

Accommodation

The participants will be accommodated in the Aurora Hotel in Mali Lošinj (<u>https://www.losinj-hotels.com/en/hotels-and-villas/hotel-aurora/</u>).

It is anticipated that participants will arrive in Mali Lošinj on Sunday, May 11, 2025 in the hours of afternoon. The conference starts on Monday, May 12, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. The conference closes on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, before the lunch time.

The organizers will book the accommodation in Mali Lošinj and cover accommodation and meals expenses (full board) during the entire event (May 11–14, 2025) for all participants who pay the *conference fee* (see details below).

Should you need to stay overnight in Zagreb due to airline, train or bus connections either when arriving to or departing from Croatia, you should take care of booking accommodation in Zagreb yourself. Also, the participants should cover this part of accommodation expenses by themselves, because it is not included in the conference fee.

Travel

1. If you are coming to Mali Lošinj **directly, by personal vehicle**, you should go to the *Aurora* Hotel (address: Sunčana uvala / Sunny bay No. 4, Mali Lošinj). In that case, you should pay attention to the regular ferry lines (<u>https://www.jadrolinija.hr/en</u>) operating between the mainland and the island of Cres (which is connected to the island of Lošinj): from Brestova (mainland–Istria) to Porozina (island Cres), and Valbiska (island Krk) to Merag (island Cres). The town of Mali Lošinj is approximately 90 minutes' drive by car away from both Porozina and Merag.

2. If you are coming to Croatia **by plane**, we suggest you to use Zagreb Airport (<u>http://www.zagreb-airport.hr/en</u>). The island of Krk (next to the island of Cres which is connected to the island of Lošinj) has a small airport (<u>http://rijeka-airport.hr/</u>) so you may also take it under consideration, but you should notice that there are no regular bus connections between island of Krk and Mali Lošinj, so that one should use a taxi service or similar services.

3. If you are coming to Mali Lošinj via Zagreb, you should know that we have **organised transport from Zagreb to Mali Lošinj by bus**, which is to leave Zagreb on Sunday, May 11, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. (in front of the *International* Hotel, Miramarska cesta 24). The same bus is to return to Zagreb from Mali Lošinj on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, after the lunch (estimated time of arrival in Zagreb is 8:00 p.m.).

Conference fee

There are two kinds of conference fee:

- **CONFERENCE FEE 1:** 380 EUR including: accommodation and meals (full board) in *Aurora* Hotel during the entire event (May 11–14, 2025), and conference materials,
- **CONFERENCE FEE 2:** 435 EUR including: accommodation and meals (full board) in *Aurora* Hotel during the entire event (May 11–14, 2025), bus transport from Zagreb to Mali Lošinj (May 11, 2025) and back (May 14, 2025), and conference materials.

Accompanying persons should pay the full conference fee.

Participants will receive detailed instructions on paying the conference fee with the notification of acceptance of the paper.

Yours sincerely,

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