CONFERENCE / 26-28 NOVEMBER 2026

Scientific Progress and the Future of Science

Lingnan@West Kowloon

Lingnan University, Hong Kong, China

DAY 1 / THURSDAY

26 November

Location: MPL 130567

09:30 Registration & Refreshments

10:00 Welcome

10:15 **The Case for Progress Pluralism**

Prof. Darrell Rowbottom
Lingnan University

11:15 KEYNOTE

New Work for a Theory of Scientific Progress

Prof. Jacob Stegenga
Nanyang Technological University

12:30 Lunch Break

14:00 **Pursuit Risks in Agent-Laden Science**

Prof. André Curtis-Trudel
University of Cincinnati

14:45 **Knowledge-likeness**

Mr. Patric Harting
Lingnan University

15:30 Break

16:00 **Integration of AI in Science: Forming Pragmatic Understanding in the Case of Astronomy**

Prof. Siyu Yao 姚思羽
Shanghai JiaoTong University

17:00 Evening Reception

DAY 2 / FRIDAY

27 November

Location: MPL 130567

10:00 Opening & Refreshments

10:15 **Two Concepts of Progress: A Political-Institutional Account of Science's Aims**

Prof. Arnon Levy
Hebrew University of Jerusalem

11:00 **Scientific Progress on Open Questions**

Dr. Ziren Yang 楊滋仁
Lingnan University

11:45 Lunch Break

13:45 **Seeing Differently: Visualization, Understanding, and the Question of Scientific Progress**

Ms. Sabine Winters
Utrecht University

14:30 **Scientific Progress without a Common Aim: The Free Market Model**

Dr. Mahdi Moraveji Qom Seminary

15:15 Break

15:45 **The Artificial Ratchet: AI and the Cognitive Foundations of Cumulative Culture**

Dr. Saira Khan
Lingnan University

19:00 Conference Dinner

DAY 3 / SATURDAY

28 November

Location: MPL 1207

09:45 Opening & Refreshments

10:00 KEYNOTE

Progress in Inquiry

Prof. Finnur Dellsén
University of Iceland

11:15 **Know-that and Know-how in the Nobel Record: An Empirical Study of Scientific Progress**

Prof. Moti Mizrahi
Florida Institute of Technology

12:00 Lunch Break

13:30 **Scientific Progress Through Open Science**

Dr. Daniele Garancini
LMU Munich

14:15 **Promoting Scientific Progress: A Mechanistic Account**

Dr. Weixin Cai 蔡偉鑫
Lingnan University

15:00 Break

15:20 **Scientific Progress Simpliciter**

Mr. Anish Seal
Nanyang Technological University

16:05 Round Table & Conclusion

All are welcome!

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