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# Surveying the Realm of Medieval Geometry (XII-XV C.)

**9-11 October 2024**

**Florence • SISMEL, Via Montebello 7**

**International Conference**

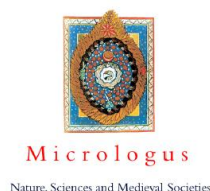
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## Wednesday 9 October • Afternoon

14:45 Welcome

**Panel 1: Expressing and Representing • Chair: Anna Pegoretti** (Università degli Studi Roma Tre)

15:00 **Francesca Galli** (Universität Zürich and Università della Svizzera italiana)  
*Shaping Wor(l)ds: The Role of Geometric Imagery in Late Medieval Literature*

15:45 **Mira Mocan** (Università degli Studi Roma Tre and Università della Svizzera Italiana)  
*"...tanquam centrum circuli": Geometria, poesia e teologia in Dante*

16:30 Coffee break

17:00 **Nicoletta Rozza** (Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II)  
*Fibonacci's Practica Geometrie: Philological and Linguistic Remarks on Distinctio VII*

17:45 **Silvia Di Donato** (CNRS-SPHERE)  
*Termini e figure geometriche nei dizionari filosofici ebraici medievali*

## Thursday 10 October • Morning

**Panel 2: Conceiving and Visualizing (I) • Chair: Silvia Di Vincenzo** (CNRS-TDMAM)

**Clelia Crialesi** (CNRS-SPHERE) 9:00  
*Philosophical Remarks on the Point from 14<sup>th</sup>-Century Italy*

**Charles Burnett** (Warburg Institute) 9:45  
*Circular Concepts in Mathematics, Cosmology and Ordering*

Coffee break 10:30

**Lorenz Demey** (KU Leuven) 11:00  
*Geometrizing Inference: The Use of Diagrams in Scholastic Logic*

**Marco Signori** (IMT Lucca) 11:45  
*Translating Images. The Place of Geometrical Diagrams in a Multilingual Philosophical Tradition*

## Thursday 10 October • Afternoon

**Panel 3: Conceiving and Visualizing (II) • Chair: Francesca Galli**

14:30 **Jean Wirth** (Université de Genève)  
*La géométrie et les arts au Moyen Âge*

15:15 **Karl Kinsella** (University of Aberdeen)  
*Geometry in 12<sup>th</sup>-Century St. Victor: Theory, Practice and Diversity*

16:00 Coffee break

16:30 **Megan McNamee** (University of Edinburgh)  
*"LECTOR ... HIC MONSTRAT MACROCOSMUM": Reading the Westminster Cosmati Pavement*

17:15 **Zahra Kazani** (University of Cambridge)  
*Squaring the Circle: Geometry as Embodied Knowledge in an Arabic Book of Antidotes (Kitāb al-diryāq, BnF arabe 2964, 1199 AD)*

## Friday 11 October • Morning

**Panel 4: Teaching and Learning • Chair: Clelia Crialesi**

**Jens Høyrup** (Roskilde University) 9:30  
*Abacus Geometry: A Tradition Without Pretensions and Without Future*

**Cecilia Panti** (Università degli Studi di Roma Tor Vergata) 10:15  
*Geometry at the Service of Physics and Optics: from Oxford to Northern Italy in 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> C.*

**Sabine Rommevaux** (CNRS-Ausonius) 11:00  
*Réflexions sur l'enseignement de la géométrie à l'université de Paris, aux XIIIe et XIVe s.*

Concluding remarks by **Agostino Paravicini Bagliani** (Université de Lausanne and SISMEL) 11:45

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