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Italian Society for
Analytic Philosophy (SIFA)**

**Ontology, Mind and Language
Ontologia, Mente e Linguaggio**

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While general ontology sets itself the Aristotelian task of outlining the universal principles of 'being *qua* being', an ever more variegated family of philosophical studies pays attention to more circumscribed and specific categories of entities that are not, for that reason, any less central to how we conceive ourselves and the world around us: mental entities, propositions, social objects, rules and norms, persons and artworks. The ontological point of view thus becomes a sort thread with which to connect the various fields of philosophical enquiry that are the objects of the conference's sessions, from the philosophy of mind to aesthetics, from practical philosophy to the philosophy of language.

Invited speakers for the plenary sessions

Jonathan Barnes (Sorbonne)

Kit Fine (New York University)

Manuel García-Carpintero (Universitat de Barcelona)

Michael Tye (University of Texas at Austin)

Invited speakers for the thematic sessions

Ontology

Achille Varzi (Columbia University)

Philosophy of Mind

Martine Nida-Rümelin (Université de Fribourg)

Philosophy of Language

Paolo Casalegno (Università di Milano)

Epistemology

Pascal Engel (Université de Genève)

Practical Philosophy

Sarah Brodie (University of St Andrews)

Philosophy of Religion

Richard Swinburne (Oxford University)

Aesthetics

Catharine Abell (Manchester/Macquarie)

History of Ideas

Theodore Scaltsas (Edinburgh University)

Scientific Committee

Andrea Bottani (President of SIFA), Maddalena Bonelli, Clotide Calabi, Massimiliano Carrara, Richard Davies, Michele Di Francesco, Elisabetta Galeotti, Simone Gozzano, Niccolò Guicciardini, Sebastiano Moruzzi, Alfredo Paternoster, Elisabetta Sacchi, Alberto Voltolini

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