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## *Non-Being in Ancient and Medieval Philosophy*

An International Conference

Athens, March 27-28, 2023

“Kostis Palamas” Building

48 Akadimias Str. & Sina Str.

### Monday, March 27

10.00 Arrival of the participants

10.15-10.30 Opening, Greetings:

- Prof. Meletios-Athanasios Dimopoulos, Rector NKUA

- Prof. Antonis Hatzimoysis, Chairman of the Dept. of History and Philosophy of Science

- Prof. Panagiotis Thanassas, Co-organizer of the Conference

Session 1. Chair: Christoph Horn

10.30-11.15 **Rainer Schäfer (Bonn)**: Being and Nothingness in Parmenides

11.15-12.00 **Panagiotis Thanassas (Athens)**: Does Non-Being belong to the Way of Truth in Parmenides?

Coffee Break

12.30-13.15 **Vasiliki Vergouli (Patras/Thessaloniki)**: What kind of Non-Being is Democritus' void?

Session 2. Chair: George Steiris

17.30-18.15 **Denis Walter (Bonn)**: Non-Being in Plato's *Parmenides*

18.15-19.00 **David Meißner (Bonn)**: Negation, Non-Being, and Negative Forms in Plato's *Sophist* (and *Statesman*)

Coffee Break

19.30-20.15 **Michalis Sialaros (Athens)**: Non-being in Greek Mathematical Texts: A 'Pointless' Overview

### Tuesday, March 28

Session 3. Chair: Rainer Schäfer

10.30-11.15 **Christoph Horn (Bonn)**: Aristotle on Non-Being in *Metaphysics* Lambda 2

11.15-12.00 **Simon Weber (Bonn)**: Parmenides' False Dilemma: Being and Not-Being in *Physics* I.8

Coffee Break

12.30-13.15 **Maria Liatsi (Thessaloniki)**: The Dualism of Being and Non-Being in Ancient Greek and Christian Thought

Session 4. Chair: Panagiotis Thanassas

17.30-18.15 **Pantelis Golitsis (Thessaloniki)**: Damascius on 'Nothingness'

18.15-19.00 **George Steiris (Athens)**: "God is said to be both being and non being": Dionysius the Areopagite and Maximus the Confessor on Non-being

Coffee Break

19.30-20.15 **Ioannis Dimitrakopoulos (Patras)**: Evil as Non-being in Anselm of Canterbury

20.15-20.30 Some Conclusions

The sessions schedule will be followed strictly.