



Department of Philosophy
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences in Rijeka



Croatian Society
for Analytic Philosophy

Doctoral Students' Conference

Populism, Expertise and Epistemic Authority

(part of the doctoral course *Moral Reality* within the *Philosophy and Contemporaneity* doctoral programme)

September 14, 2026 | Room F-412

Conference Program	
10:00 - 10:40	Hana Samaržija (<i>University of Rijeka</i>) Revisiting Epistemic Authority in Hostile Epistemic Environments
10:40 - 11:20	Andrea Mešanović (<i>University of Rijeka</i>) The Epistemic Justification of Institutional Decision-Making in the Age of Artificial Intelligence
11:20 - 11:40	Coffee break
11:40 - 12:20	Aleksandar Šušnjar (<i>University of Rijeka</i>) Epistemic Roots of Populism
12:20 - 13:00	Dušan Rebolj (<i>University of Ljubljana</i>) The Completable Nation: Slovenian Independents vs. Contemporary Populists
13:00 - 13:20	Concluding Discussion and Prospects for Collaboration
13:30 - 14:30	Conference lunch

Research Projects:

Epistemic Democracy in a Digital Era
(Grant IP-2024-05-4113)



Epistemic Challenges of Populism
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Organizing Committee:

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