

# THE LOŠINJ DAYS OF BIOETHICS

## Croatian Philosophical Society

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## 16th LOŠINJ DAYS OF BIOETHICS (Mali Lošinj, Croatia, May 14–17, 2017)

International symposium  
**INTEGRATIVE BIOETHICS AND NEW EPOCH**

### *Call for papers*

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Dear colleague,

We would like to inform you that the Croatian Philosophical Society, the Croatian Bioethics Society, and the Town of Mali Lošinj are organising the *16th Lošinj Days of Bioethics* to be held in Mali Lošinj (Croatia) between 14–17 May 2017. Co-organizer of the Conference is Centre of Excellence for Integrative Bioethics.

Mali Lošinj is a town on the island of Lošinj (<http://visitlosinj.hr/Default.aspx?lang=en-GB>), approximately 5 hours' drive by bus away from Zagreb, Croatia's capital city (<http://www.infozagreb.hr/&lang=en>).

The annual international conference *Lošinj Days of Bioethics* became in the past 15 years the most important bioethical convention in Southeast Europe. Over five hundred scientists of diverse profiles from more than thirty European, North American and Asian countries have already participated in the *Days*, as well as over two hundred students.

Within the annual framework of the *Lošinj Days of Bioethics* the central place belongs to the “Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch” international symposium. In addition to the aforementioned symposium, we occasion roundtables on a number of current issues in bioethics, student bioethical workshops, as well as relevant cultural and artistic events.

*16th Lošinj Days of Bioethics* comprise:

- “Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch” international symposium (May 15–16, 2017),
- “Abortion: Political Topic, Bioethical Problem” student bioethical workshop (May 14–16, 2017 – in Croatian),
- “Animal Lives and Human Laws” roundtable (May 17, 2017 – in Croatian),
- accompanying events (“Bioethical café”, presentation of recent bioethical publications, etc.).

The fundamental aim of the “**Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch**” symposium is establishing an interdisciplinary, pluriperspective and integrative dialogue on the fundamental problems of contemporary civilisation by using the intellectual stimulus of the bioethical approach. A specific ambition of the Symposium is establishing a relation between bioethics and the philosophy of history,

and thus broadening the pluriperspective openness of the issues and areas that bioethics deals with. Naturally, in addition to discussing the relations between bioethics and science, i.e. the bioethical status of science and the scientific status of bioethics, the widest range of bioethical topics – from issues of clinical practice to global ecological problems – is also expected to be presented and come to the fore.

Papers in the “Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch” Symposium can be presented in any of the three languages: Croatian, English or German. The time allotted for each presentation is 15 minutes, except for the plenary lectures (30 minutes). The Symposium will work following the division into two or three parallel sections, with several plenary lectures.

### **Registration**

Provided that you accept the invitation to participate in the “Integrative Bioethics and New Epoch” symposium, we kindly ask you to submit a filled in **registration form** containing the precise **title of your paper** and a **brief abstract in either English or German** (up to 900 characters) by 1st March 2017 at the latest.

Then you will be notified about our acceptance of your paper, and your travel and accommodation details within Croatia. You will also be posted the final conference programme. You will be given the conference publication – which will contain both the programme and the submitted paper abstracts – at the Conference.

### **Accommodation**

The participants will be accommodated in the *Aurora* Hotel in Mali Lošinj (<http://www.losinj-hotels.com/en/accommodation/hotel-aurora>).

It is anticipated that participants will arrive in Mali Lošinj on Sunday, May 14, 2017 in the hours of afternoon. The conference starts on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The conference closes on Wednesday, May, 17, 2017, before the lunch time.

The organizers will book the accommodation in Mali Lošinj and cover accommodation and meals expenses (full board) during the entire event (May 14–17, 2017) for all participants who pay the *conference fee* (see details below).

Should you need to stay overnight in Zagreb due to airline, train or bus connections either when arriving to (on May 13–14, 2017) or departing from Croatia (on May 17–18, 2017), the organisers can reserve a room in *International* Hotel (<http://www.hotel-international.hr/homepage>) or Youth Hostel *Zagreb* (<http://www.hfhs.hr/en/hostels/zagreb-youth-hostel-370>) in Zagreb. However, the participants should cover this part of accommodation expenses by themselves.

### **Travel**

1. If you are coming to Mali Lošinj directly, by personal vehicle, you should go to the *Aurora* Hotel (Sunčana uvala / Sunny Bay, Mali Lošinj). In that case, you should pay attention to the regular ferry lines (<http://www.jadrolinija.hr/en/ferry-croatia?lang=2>) operating between the mainland and the island of Cres (which is connected to the island of Lošinj): from Brestova (mainland–Istria) to Porozina (island Cres), and Valbiska (island Krk) to Merag (island Cres). The town of Mali Lošinj is approximately 90 minutes’ drive by car away from both Porozina and Merag.

2. If you are coming to Croatia by plane, we suggest you to use Zagreb Airport (<http://www.zagreb-airport.hr/home>). The island of Krk (next to the island of Cres which is connected to the island of Lošinj) has a small airport ([http://www.rijeka-airport.hr/index\\_eng.asp](http://www.rijeka-airport.hr/index_eng.asp)) so you may also take it under

consideration, but you should notice that regular bus connections between island of Krk and the island of Cres are not so often.

If you are coming to Mali Lošinj via Zagreb, you should know that we have organised transport from Zagreb to Mali Lošinj by bus, which is to leave Zagreb on Sunday, May 14, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. (in front of the *International* Hotel, Miramarska St. 24). The same bus is to return to Zagreb from Mali Lošinj on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, after the lunch (estimated time of arrival in Zagreb is 8:00 p.m.).

### **Conference fee**

There are two kinds of conference fee:

- **CONFERENCE FEE 1:** 200 EUR – including: accommodation and meals (full board) in *Aurora* Hotel during the entire event (May 14–17, 2017), and conference materials,
- **CONFERENCE FEE 2:** 240 EUR – including: accommodation and meals (full board) in *Aurora* Hotel during the entire event (May 14–17, 2017), bus transport from Zagreb to Mali Lošinj (May 14, 2017) and back (May, 17, 2017), and conference materials.

You should pay the conference fee, by 15th April 2017 at the latest, through the bank account of the Croatian Philosophical Society:

BANK: Zagrebačka banka, d.d. (Address: Trg bana J. Jelačića 10, HR–10000 Zagreb)  
IBAN: HR4423600001101509268  
SWIFT-CODE: ZABAHR2X

Yours sincerely,



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