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**PROJECT ACRONYM AND TITLE:** INTERPHIL - The international congresses and the transnational shaping of philosophy (1900-1948) Spaces – Struggles – Identity – Knowledge

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**ABSTRACT:**

INTERPHIL tackles the issue of philosophy's identity by studying the first ten international congresses in philosophy (1900-1948), relating them to the emergence in Europe of a new academic space. Today, the still persistent cleavage between the "analytic" and "continental" ways of practicing philosophy, hyper-specialization, hyper-production and, sometimes, postmodern relativism, led the majority of professionalized philosophers to the acknowledgement of the uncontrollable pluralism of the discipline, and to the abandonment of the dream of a unified transnational community aiming at collectively defining the discipline and at discussing its main advancements. At the beginning of the 20th century, for the first time in history, the international congresses in philosophy, organised, then supervised, by a French group during almost fifty years, aimed at doing so. This group got progressively bigger, it had to arbitrate the fights between different competitors and include or co-opt subalterns and self-excluded European and non-European groups, such as the Russians. How did these actors deal with the contradiction between ambitions of universalism and the rising nationalisms? INTERPHIL adopts a completely new inter-disciplinary and multi-scalar approach to the congresses in order to explain the constitution of a European philosophical space, the progressive formation of a philosophical idea of Europe and the creation of international institutions. The project approach is socio-historical: bibliometric, lexicographic, sociological, historical and philosophical. It will isolate the scientific networks tied to the congresses, study intra/inter-national, intra/inter-disciplinary struggles to define philosophy from the other disciplines, problematize the clash between universalistic claims and situated epistemologies and, finally, localize the main features of the internationally legitimated philosophical corpus.

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14<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**PARTNERSHIP:**

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