Paul K. Feyerabend stands as one of the most influential philosophers of science of the second half of the twentieth century. His seminal work, Against Method (1975), provoked strong reactions across the academic spectrum and above. In celebration of the centenary of his birth and thirty years after his passing, this conference aims to delve into the multifaceted legacy of Feyerabend. We will explore a range of topics, including issues related to methods, standards, and rationality, debates surrounding scientific realism, his sophisticated concept of incommensurability, and his revolutionary ideas about the intersection of science, arts, and culture.

On 4 July at 16:00, a special session will be held in memory of Giulio Giorello. Giorello was instrumental in introducing Feyerabend’s thought into Italian philosophical discourse. Former colleagues and friends will discuss his numerous contributions to philosophical and intellectual debates in Italy in a round table session.

**Venue**

*Room 302, via Festa del Perdono 7*  
(3 July, 14.30-18.30; 5 July, 10.30-13.00)

*Sala Napoleonica, via Sant’Antonio 12*  
(4 July, 10.30-18.30)

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Sala Napoleonica, via S. Antonio 5
4 July
(Sala Napoleonica, via Sant’Antonio 12)

10:30 Valeria Ascheri (Pontificia Università della Santa Croce), *Against the traditional scientific method: a comparison between Michael Polanyi and Paul K. Feyerabend’s ideas*

11:15 Coffee Break

11:30 Luis Bartolo (LMU München), *Feyerabend and inconsistency*

12:15 Break

12:30 Antonino Drago (Università degli Studi di Napoli “Federico II”), *From Feyerabend’s philosophical definition of incommensurability to an operational and formal one*

13:15 Light lunch

15:00 Pierre-Luc L’Hermite (Institut de Recherches Philosophiques de Lyon), *Feyerabend: the best ally for the philosophy of medicine*

15:45 Coffee Break

16:00 Round Table in memory of Giulio Giorello: Antonio Carioti, Marco Santambrogio, Silvano Tagliagambe, Claudio Bartocci

18:00 End sessions

20:00 Dinner

5 July
(Aula 302, via Festa del Perdono 3)

10:30 Daniele Molinari (Università di Parma), *A Feyerabendian View on the Normativity of Imagination and the Evolution of Thought Experiments*

11:15 Coffee Break

11:30 Keynote Talk Chiara Ambrosio (University College London), *Feyerabend on Art and Science*

13:00 End conference