

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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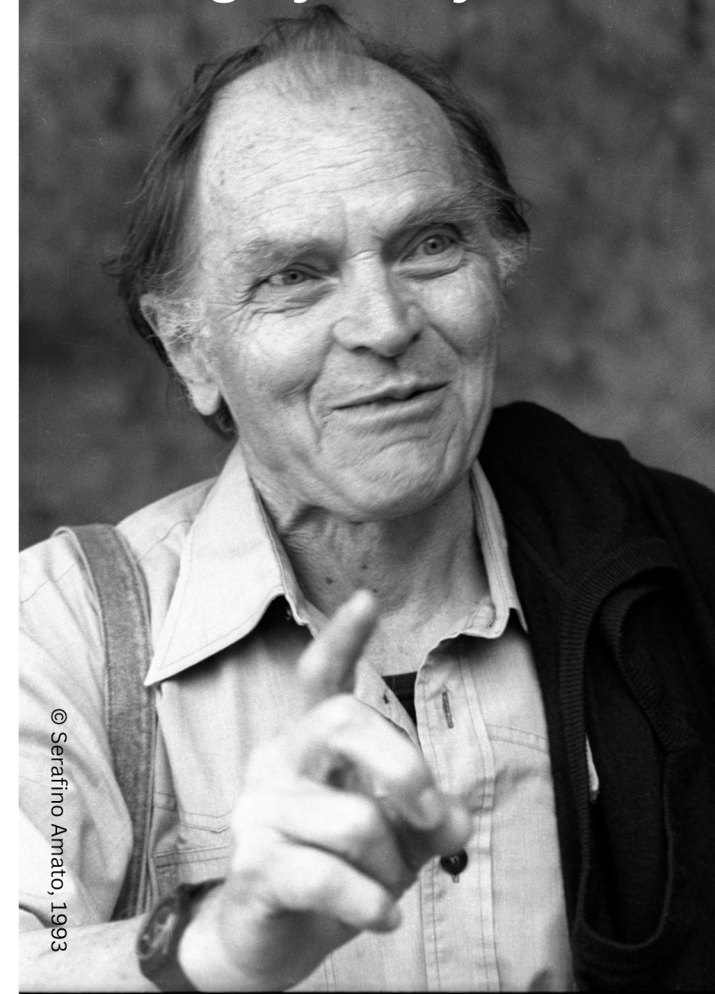
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The Legacy of Feyerabend



University of Milan
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PROGRAMME

3 July

(Aula 302, via Festa del Perdono 3)

14:30 Opening

15:00 Keynote Talk. John Preston (Reading),
Paul Feyerabend's Ernst Mach

16:30 Coffee Break

17:00 Vincenzo Crupi (Università degli Studi di
Torino), *For the method against all odds: The
"cold case" of early Copernicanism*

17:45 Jacques Nlend (The University of Yaounde
I, Cameroon), *Feyerabend and the Rationality of
Discovery: Challenging the Traditional
Scientific's Methodology* [online]

18:30 End sessions

20:00 Dinner

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