

THE PHILOSOPHY COMMISSION 2023 (EN)



What will I do in the Philo Commission? In a group, you will first write a page-long response to the question. In the meetings of the Philosophy Commission (which will take place online on Teams) you and other members will engage in a formal debate about each other's papers, with a view to suggest revisions and to finally 'pass' or 'not pass' the debated paper by a vote. Papers that are passed will get the chance to be presented during the general assemblies of PhiloDay 2023.

Who can participate? Any student in a European school in the years S5-S6-S7 who is proficient in English.

What is the question? Under the theme of 'Thinking and Dwelling', this year's main question will be **"Is the environment we find ourselves in a constraint on human thought?"**.

Who are the chairs? They are Miklós MACZÁK (LAE-S7ENB) and Edwin ENACHE (LAE-S7ENA).

Why should you participate?

- Work together with a friend and get to meet new people from across different European schools.
- Incorporate ideas not only from your philosophy and ethics classes, but also from other areas of interest such as psychology, science, literature, history, popular culture...
- For those who are particularly enthusiastic, there are also gift card prizes awarded for best speaker and best paper.
- Last, but not least, add a notable item to your CV. You will, of course, receive an official certificate by the end of your participation.

How, when, and where to participate? If you are interested in participating, message one of the chairs. Meetings will take place online in the weeks preceding PhiloDay 2023 (9-10 Feb.). For S7 students, the schedule will not interfere with your preparation for the Pre-bacs. See the schedule below for more information.

PHILOSOPHY COMMISSION schedule

(Dates are flexible to change)

8 January: Introductory 1 hour session

11:00 – 12:00: Introduction to fellow members of the PC, defining rules of procedure, initial debate on the question.

14 January: Session 1

10:00 – 11:00: Debates on papers

11:10 – 12:00: Debate on papers (+ vote)

15 January: Session 2

10:00 – 11:00: Further debates on papers

11:10 – 12:00: Further debates on papers (+ vote)

4 February: Session 3

10:00 – 11:00: Further debates on papers

11:10 – 12:00: Further debates on papers (+ vote)

5 February: Session 4

10:00 – 11:00: Further debates on papers

11:10 – 12:00: Further debates on papers (+ vote) + information on PhiloDay General Assembly

9-10 February: PhiloDay