

International Workshop

Language, Argument, and Evidence in Science

Ionian University – Department of History and Digital Humanities – Centre for the Study of the Ancient World (CSAW)

16–17 October 2026 | Hybrid Workshop

Friday, 16 October 2026

16:30–16:40

Welcome & Opening Remarks

16:40–17:00

Jurgen R. Gatt (University of Malta)

Choosing the Goat: Rhetoric and Science in 5th Century Animal Dissection

17:00–17:20

Discussion

17:20–17:40

Coffee Break

17:40–18:00

Ioanna N. Papadopoulou (University of the Peloponnese)

Between Proof and Persuasion: The Agon of Logoi in Aristophanes' Clouds

18:00–18:20

Discussion

18:20–18:40

Coffee Break

19:00–19:20

Courtney Ann Roby (Cornell University)

Rhetorics of Thought and Action: Philosophical and Technical Paths to Knowledge

19:20–19:40

Discussion

19:40–20:00

Coffee Break

20:00–20:20

Massimo Raffa (Università del Salento)

Music Theory as a Science: Ptolemy, Aristoxenus, and the Problem of Circular Definition

20:20–20:40

Discussion

20:40

Dinner for the Speakers

Saturday, 17 October 2026

09:00–09:20

Anastasios Manolakis (University of the Peloponnese)

Argumentation and the Use of Evidence in the Epitaph of Demosthenes

09:20–09:40

Discussion

09:40–10:00

Coffee Break

10:00–10:20

Spyridon Stathas (University of the Peloponnese)

Mental Pathology in Attic Forensic Oratory: Insights from Private Speeches

10:20–10:40

Discussion

10:40–11:00

Coffee Break

11:00–11:20

Konstantinos Stefou (Ionian University)

Laughing All the Way to Treatment. Galen's Protrepticus on the Diagnostics and the Prognostics of Derision

11:20–11:40

Discussion

11:40–12:00

Coffee Break

12:00–12:20

Eleni Volonaki (University of the Peloponnese)

Signs, Evidence, and Proof in Aristotle's Rhetoric: The Function of Sēmeia and Tekmēria in Argumentation

12:20–12:40

Discussion

12:40–13:00
Closing Remarks

13:00
Lunch / Closing Lunch