



CALL FOR PAPERS

ESPR Conference 2024 will focus on the theme of "human nature" from the perspective of the philosophy of religion and theology. Although the notion of human nature may be questioned from different perspectives and even rejected (for example, from the standpoint of evolutionary biology, cultural anthropology, and moral relativism), it plays a significant role in philosophical reflection. On the one hand, "human nature" has a descriptive meaning that consists of the set of physical, biological, and cognitive components distinguishing human beings from other living and non-living entities and making them unique. On the other hand, "human nature" has a prescriptive meaning, indicating the set of attitudes, abilities, and actions that make human beings rich in value and human life rich in meaning. In this sense, the notion of human nature still seems ethically relevant, especially today when technology can radically transform human beings. ESPR Conference 2024 invites papers exploring those issues within the following sub-themes:

Sub-theme 1: Metaphysical and Epistemological Issues

Sub-theme 2: Human Nature, Human Destiny, and Transhumanism

Sub-theme 3: Human Nature and Religious Diversity

Sub-theme 4: Ethical and Political Issues

For further details about the sub-themes and the range of questions they might cover, please consult the Conference website: <https://event.unitn.it/espr24/>

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Short papers (being presented in 20 minutes) are invited in either **English, Italian, German, Spanish or French** on the above topics.

Please send abstracts of not more than 300 words (with an English translation if in a different language) to esprconference2024@gmail.com. The deadline for submission of abstracts has been extended to **30 April, 2024**. Inquiries can be directed to esprconference2024@gmail.com following the attached template. You will be notified of the outcome by **15 May, 2024**.

The Scientific Committee of the 24th ESPR Conference will communicate an earlier acceptance of the paper proposals for all those who need it to apply for funding from their institutions. If case of need, please send a request to esprconference2024@gmail.com

Participation: Participants are encouraged to attend in person. Passive online presence in the main sessions will be possible. Online paper presentations will be restricted to a few parallel sessions, and some will be reserved for extraordinary last-minute emergencies. For more details and participation fees, please visit the Conference website, which will be updated within a short time: <https://event.unitn.it/espr24/>

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Title

Subtheme: (1: Metaphysical and Epistemological Issues; 2: Human Nature, Human Destiny, and Transhumanism; 3: Human Nature and Religious Diversity; 4: Ethical and Political Issues)

Language: (English, Italian, German, Spanish or French)

Participation: (in presence, online)

Abstract in English (max 300 words):

Abstract in other languages (max 300 words):