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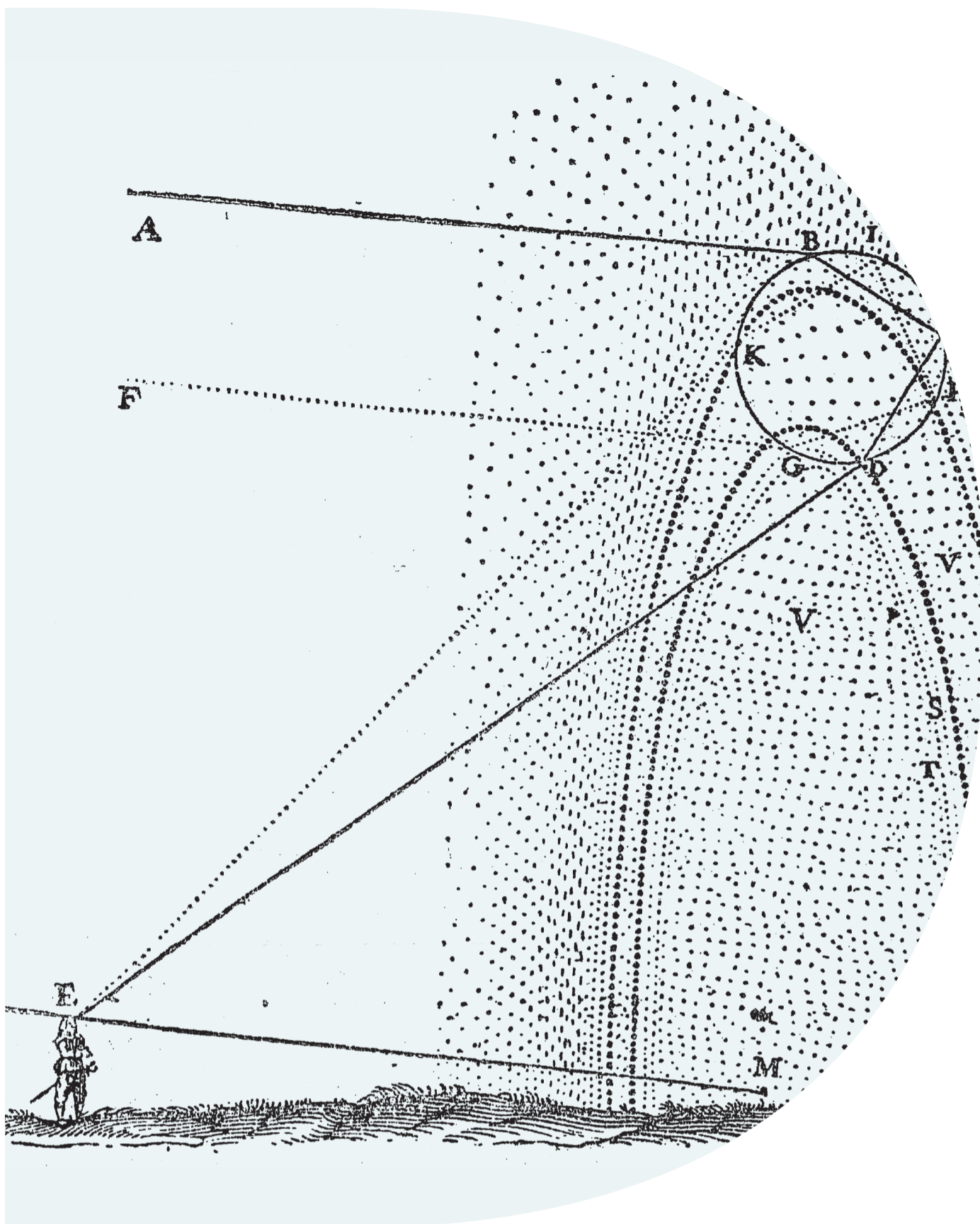
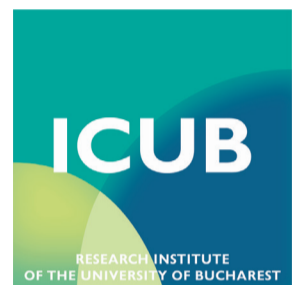


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Historians of science and historians of philosophy are most of the time in disagreement when assessing the role of René Descartes and of his followers in the development of their own disciplines. This extends to the scholarly weight ascribed to the various components of Descartes's intellectual endeavor, ranging from epistemology to the principles of nature, to mathematics and physics, physiology and medicine. A more complex narrative emerges from the history of philosophy and science, which studies authors in their own contexts without enforcing more recent categories produced by histories of one or another discipline. This conference explore the reception of Descartes's physics in a variety of cultural and institutional settings. Rather than revisiting the principles of Cartesian philosophy, it looks at the 'articulations' of these principles in the comprehension of the nature and the world.

Organizers:

Mihnea Dobre, University of Bucharest, University of Bucharest, ICUB-Humanities, "Making Modern Science: tracing the dynamics of a 'Cartesian Newtonian textbook' during the Scientific Revolution (PN-III-P1-1.1-TE-2019-0841)"

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Venice-Bucharest Online Workshop in Early Modern Cosmology *Cartesian Physics and Their Receptions: Intellectual and Institutional Contexts*

June 17

12:00-12:20 — **Introductions**

12:20-13:00 — **Andrea Strazzoni** (UniVe)
Early Cartesian Physics: De Raey and Clauberg.

13:00-13:40 — **Pietro Omodeo** (UniVe)
Johannes Placentinus on the Two Books of God (Groningen 1652): Towards a Cartesian Natural Theology?

13:40-14:20 — **Fabrizio Badassarri** (UniVe)
Florent Schuyf's De homine (1662): Men, Animals, and Plants.

Break

14:30-15:10 — **Mihnea Dobre** (Bucharest)
A Populariser of Cartesian Cosmology? Jacques Rohault.

15:10-15:50 — **Ioana Bujor** (Bucharest)
"A Caution Concerning Words": Jacques Rohault and the Port-Royal Logic.

Break

16:00-16:40 — **Rodolfo Garau** (UniVe)
Spinoza's Idea of Providence vis-à-vis Descartes' Physics.

16:40-17:20 — **Omar Del Nonno** (UniVe)
Understanding the Human Mind Through the Common Laws of Bodies. Spinoza's Reception of Cartesian Physics and Physiology.

Break

17:30-18:10 — **Ovidiu Babes** (Bucharest)
Constructing Oppositions: Samuel Clarke's Experimental Grounding of Anti-Cartesian Matter.

18:10-18:50 **Grigore Vida** (Bucharest)
Samuel Clarke and Cartesianism.

June 18

16:00 - 17:00 — **Roundtable discussion**



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