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Purism in Antiquity: Theories of Language
in Greek Atticist Lexica and their Legacy

How to become a skilled rhetor: Theories of language and style in Phrynichus’ Praeparatio sophistica and their afterlife

26 September 2022, 9.30–18.30
Aula Mario Baratto
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Dorsoduro 3246 – 30123 Venezia (and online on Zoom)

9.30 Welcome and Introduction

9.40 Morning session
The Praeparatio as we read it today: Medieval and modern reception

9.40–10.20 Margherita Losacco
(Università di Padova), Phrynichus in Photius: Prefaces and games of mirrors

10.20–11.00 Federico Favi
(Università del Piemonte Orientale – PURA), How did the epitomiser work? The epitome of the Praeparatio and the indirect transmission in comparison

11.00-11.30 Break

11.30–12.10 Jacopo Cavarzeran
(Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia – PURA), Praeparatio onomastica(?)

12.10–13.00 Giuseppe Ucciardello
(Università di Messina), The Praeparatio sophistica between the 18th and the 19th centuries

14.30 Afternoon session
The Praeparatio as a handbook of rhetorical training: Cultural context and theories of style and language

14.30–15.10 Ewen Bowie (University of Oxford), Σοφιστικὴ προπαρασκευή and Εκλογή: Logic and relative chronology

15.10–15.50: Olga Tribulato
(Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia – PURA), Stylistic terminology in the Praeparatio sophistica

15.50–16.30 Giulia Gerbi
(Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia – PURA), Καινῶς εἴρηται: καινότης in the Praeparatio sophistica

16.30–17.00 Break

17.00–17.40 Chiara Monaco
(Universiteit Gent), Comic compounds or hapax legomena? Observations on some rare expressions in the Praeparatio sophistica

17.40–18.20 Andrea Pellettieri
(Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia – PURA), Learned Rudeness: Abusing expressions in the Praeparatio Sophistica

Discussion (with the participation of E. Dettori, I. Manolessou, P. Scattolin, members of the PURA advisory board).

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