

# From philosophy to poetry

## A Conference in Honor of David Sider

3–6 August 2026 | Fondation Hardt | Chemin Vert 2, 1253 Vandœuvres, Switzerland

### Monday 3 August 2026

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| 12:00                       | Lunch at the Fondation                                                                                                                              |
| 14:00                       | Welcome                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>14:15 – 15:45</b>        | Session Chair: Peter Bing<br>• Enrico Prodi: "Theognidean didactics from symposion to book: the seal elegy"                                         |
| 15:45 – 16:15               | Coffee Break                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>16:15 – 17:45</b>        | Session Chair: Enrico Prodi<br>• Peter Bing: "Epistolary Closure: The End of Alciphron's Atticizing Project in the Letters of Menander and Glycera" |
| <b>17:45 — End of Day 1</b> |                                                                                                                                                     |

### Tuesday 4 August 2026

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| <b>09:00 – 10:30</b>        | Session Chair: Andrew Ford<br>• Mirjam Kotwick: "Hippias as a Source for Aristotle"                                       |
| 10:30 – 11:00               | Coffee Break                                                                                                              |
| <b>11:00 – 12:30</b>        | Session Chair: Mirjam Kotwick<br>• Andrew Ford: "Aristotle on Reading Tragic Texts: the Purpose of <i>Poetics</i> ch. 12" |
| 12:30 – 14:00               | Lunch                                                                                                                     |
| <b>14:00 – 15:30</b>        | Session Chair: Sarah Nooter<br>• Alex Forte: "Archilochus' Homer and Homer's Archelous"                                   |
| 15:30 – 16:00               | Coffee Break                                                                                                              |
| <b>16:00 – 17:30</b>        | Session Chair: Alex Forte<br>• Sarah Nooter: "Love, leaves, and other things that flutter"                                |
| <b>17:30 — End of Day 2</b> |                                                                                                                           |

### Wednesday 5 August 2026

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| <b>09:00 – 10:30</b> | Session Chair: Pura Nieto<br>• Ewen Bowie: "Early Greek Elegy: heroes past and present" |
| 10:30 – 11:00        | Coffee Break                                                                            |
| <b>11:00 – 12:30</b> | Session Chair: Ewen Bowie<br>• Pura Nieto: "Helen and her siblings in Pindar"           |

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| 12:30 – 14:00               | Lunch                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>14:00 – 15:30</b>        | Session Chair: Willy Cingano<br>• David Sider: “Parmenides’ Proem: Sources, Language, and Purpose”                                                           |
| 15:30 – 16:00               | Coffee Break                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>16:00 – 17:30</b>        | Session Chair: David Sider<br>• Willy Cingano: “Setting contests all over Greece: the importance of the <i>agôn</i> in archaic Greek literature and culture” |
| <b>17:30 — End of Day 3</b> |                                                                                                                                                              |

| <b>Thursday 6 August 2026</b> |                                                                                                                                                |
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| <b>09:00 – 10:30</b>          | Session Chair: Regina Hörschele<br>• Phil Mitsis: “Before Hatred: Aversion, Moral Education, and the Lexicon of Rejection from Homer to Plato” |
| 10:30 – 11:00                 | Coffee Break                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>11:00 – 12:30</b>          | Session Chair: Phil Mitsis<br>• Regina Hörschele: “Sexy Philosophers: Machon’s Witty Hetairai”                                                 |
| <b>12:30 — Closing Lunch</b>  |                                                                                                                                                |