Vygotsky 130 International Laboratory of Cultural-Historical Psychology & Education

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UNIVERSITY OF CRETE

Friday 13 Nov 2026

13:00 - 13:30 Registration

13:30 - 14:30 Opening Session

14:30 - 15:30 Keynote Speech I
Daniel Goulart | University of Brasilia (Brazil)
Rethinking Vygotsky's Legacy in Latin America: Appropriations, Subjectivity, and New Theoretical Horizons

15:30 - 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00- 17:00 Panel Session I
Nikolai Veresov | Monash University (Australia)
ZPD for Young Researchers: Dialectical Thinking

17:00 - 17:30 Day 1 Reflection

Saturday 14 Nov 2026

09:00 - 10:00 Keynote Speech II
Irina Engeness | Østfold University of Applied Sciences (Norway)
Freedom as a Pursuit in Human Development: Galperin's Reading of Vygotsky – and Its Relevance for Education Today

10:00- 11:20 Paper Session I
10:00-10:40 **Raul Gomes Almeida** | University of São Paulo (Brazil)
Drama and Crisis in Human Development: Analysing the Process Through the Case of Religious Conversion

10:40-11:20 **Ana Luiza de França Sá** | University of São Paulo (Brazil)
Innovation as a Higher Psychological Function: Focussing on Teachers' Practices

11:20 - 12:00 Coffee Break

12:00- 13:20 Paper Session II

12:00-12:40 **Eleni Stavropoulou** & **Glykeria Fragkiadaki** | Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece)
Developing Scientific Thinking in Early Childhood: Personalized Learning Pathways in Play-Based Contexts

12:40-13:20 **Marinos Anastasakis**, **Amanda Medeiros** & **Vanessa Neves**
University of Crete (Greece) | Universidade de Brasília (Brazil) | Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (Brazil)
A Cultural-Historical Approach to Mathematical Thinking in Infancy and Early Childhood

13:30 - 15:00 Lunch Break

15:00 - 16:00 Panel Session II
Kyrill Potapov | University College London (United Kingdom)
Learning and Development in the Age of AI

16:00 - 16:30 Springer Book Series Presentation
Nikolai Veresov | Monash University (Australia) & **Pina Marsico** | University of Salerno (Italy)

16:30 - 16:40 Culture & Education Journal Presentation
Samran Daneshfar | Monash University (Australia)

16:40 - 17:00 Coffee Break

17:00 - 17:30 Day 2 Reflection

Sunday 15 Nov 2026

09:00 - 10:00 Keynote Speech III
Manolis Dafermos | University of Crete (Greece)
Functional Stupidity in the Postmodern Zombie University: A Cultural-Historical Perspective

10:00 - 11:20 Paper Session III
10:00-10:40 **Diego Di Masi** | Università di Torino (Italy)
Rethinking Inclusion in Early Childhood Education: from bio-psycho-social model to cultural-historical theory

10:40-11:20 **Maria Sokolova** & **Inna Kotliar** |AFA (Bulgaria)
From Cultural-Historical Theory to Designing Developmental Play Environments

11:20 - 12:00 Coffee Break

12:00 - 13:00 Special Keynote Speech
Amelia Alvarez & **Pablo del Rio**
From Vygotsky's Crisis in Psychology (1927) to the current mega crisis (2027): the turbulent recent history of human psyche

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch Break

14:30 - 15:30 Q & A Activity Members of ILCHE answer questions and discuss with the audience

15:30 - 16:00 Day 3 Reflection & Closing Session