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PROGRAM

January 28, Monday

12.30–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Opening session

15.00–15.30 Eugene Afonasin, On the Scope and Nature of the
Project. Some Preliminaries to the Winter Session

Lecture and Discussion

15.30–17.30 John Rist, Plotinus on Plato

January 29, Tuesday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

10.30–13.00 Plotinus. Selected texts – I
conducted by John Rist

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Lecture and Discussion

15.00–17.00 John Rist, Why does Plotinus not like Gnostics

January 30, Wednesday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

10.30–13.00 Plotinus. Selected texts – II
conducted by John Rist

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

15.00–17.00 Heraclitus: Selected texts – I
conducted by Svetlana Mesyats

January 31, Thursday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Lecture and Discussion

10.30–13.00 Teun Tieleman, Galen: Portrait of an Ancient Scientist

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

15.00–17.00 Chrysippus: Selected texts – I
conducted by Teun Tieleman

February 1, Friday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Round-Table Discussion

10.30–13.00 History and philosophy of Law
Chairperson: Vadim Prozorov
Presentations:
Sergey Shevtsov,
Eugene Afonasin

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Lecture and Discussion

15.00–17.00 Teun Tieleman, Galen and the Controversy over the Seat
of the Intellect

February 2, Saturday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

10.30–13.00 Cicero, Tusc.: Selected texts – I
conducted by Vadim Prozorov and Eugene Afonasin

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

15.00–17.00 Chrysippus: Selected texts – II
conducted by Teun Tieleman

February 3, Sunday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Round-Table Discussion

10.30–13.00 Rethinking the Foundation of Morality: Fundamental
Values in the Changing World
Chairperson: Mikhail Nemtsev
Presentations:
John Rist,
Eugene Afonasin

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

15.00–17.00 Heraclitus: Selected texts - II
conducted by Svetlana Mesyats

February 4, Monday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Round-Table Discussion

10.30–13.00 Reading Philosophical Texts
Chairperson: Eugene Afonasin
Presentations:
Igor Berestov
Marina Wolf

13.00–15.00 Lunch

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Reading class

15.00–17.30 Cicero, Tusc.: Selected texts – II
conducted by Vadim Prozorov and Eugene Afonasin

February 5, Tuesday

Novosibirsk State University
Conference-Hall

Closing session

10.30–12.30 Results and Future Plans

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