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> Call for Papers International Conference

## The Place of Comenius in the History of European Metaphysical Thought

The conference will be held from 13 to 14 November 2018 at the University of Pardubice.

Jan Amos Comenius assigned metaphysics the task of serving as "universal standards in building a great Pansophic work". In his own way, he attempted to synthesize many of the themes he had received from the vast spectrum of both traditional and contemporary thinking, and thus came to the form of a relatively coherent concept of the trinitarian pansophic metaphysics conceived as a science of ideas.

A new impetus and source for discussing Comenius's metaphysical concept is the recent comprehensive edition and Czech translation of his most important metaphysical writings (Spisy o první filosofii [Writings on First Philosophy], Prague, OIKOYMENH, 2017).

Contributions are welcomed concerning in particular the issues of foundations, inspiration and continuity of Comenius's metaphysical thought, terminological traits, genesis and the distinctive concept of his pansophic trinitarian metaphysics, the context of the pansophic and emendation programmes, as well as contributions comparing Comenius's metaphysics with other contemporary metaphysical systems.

The time reserved for each presentation will be a maximum of 20 minutes. The conference languages are Czech, Slovak and English.

The application for the conference, together with a brief abstract of the paper (around 100 words) should be sent (preferably electronically) *by* 15 *August* 2018 to Iveta Marešová or Jana Stejskalová.

The conference organizers reserve the right to select contributions. The papers will go through the standard review process and will be published in a collective monograph.

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