



**Artificial intelligence as a catalyst for contemplation on human nature and the image of God**

*1-2 December 2025*

The conference is organised by the Stanley Jaki Society in cooperation with the Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum. The conference is organized to mark the occasion of the Jaki Society joining the Rome Call, an initiative by the Pontifical Academy for Life focusing on ethical artificial intelligence.

The Stanley Jaki Society was established by the Benedictine Archabbey of Pannonhalma and the Hungarian Diplomatic Academy in 2024, on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of Father Jaki's birth. The conference is funded by the Hungarian Diplomatic Academy.

**Venue:** Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, Via degli Aldobrandeschi 190, Rome

**1 December 2025 (Monday)**

- **17:30–18:30 Holy Mass**  
*Location: Chapel of Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum*
- **18:30–19:30 Keynote Speeches**  
*Location: Great Hall of the Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum*
  - **Speaker:** Fr. Andrea Ciucci, secretary general of Pontifical Academy for Life, Vatican
  - **Speaker:** Matthew Sanders, Founder and CEO of Longbeard: Catholic-aligned LLMs
- **20:00 Dinner**  
*Location: Osteria Romana, Via Aurelia 553, Rome*

**2 December 2025 (Tuesday)**

**Main Track** — *Location: Great Hall of the Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum*

Time	Speaker & Affiliation	Title / Topic
09:00–09:20	1. on behalf of Regina Apostolorum 2. <b>Orsolya Pacsay-Tomassich</b> , president of the Hungarian Diplomatic Academy, co-founder of Jaki Society	<b>Opening Speeches</b>

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09:20–09:40	<b>Fr. Alberto Carrara, L.C.</b> Dean, Faculty of Philosophy, Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, Corresponding Member, Pontifical Academy for Life (Rome)	<b>Algorithms of Ethics: An Anthropologically Grounded Reflection on Diverse Paradigms of “Intelligence”</b>
09:40–10:00	<b>Fr. Alex Yeung, L.C.</b> Professor of Philosophy & Director, Science and Faith Institute, Ateneo Pontificio Regina Apostolorum (Rome), member of the Jaki Society	<b>AI agents and human personal agency: assistants, advocates, avatars, amigos</b>
10:00–10:20	<b>Stacy Trasancos</b> Professor of Catholic Studies, Seton Hall University (South Orange, NJ)	<b>AI as a Product of Functional Reductionism and Its Dangers for Humans</b>
10:20 – 10:40	<b>Daniele Bruno</b> Presidente, Fondazione Giovanni Paolo II per la Gioventù	<b>How technology can be tool for youth evangelisation</b>
10:40 – 11:00	<b>Fr. Ágoston Bagyinszki, O.F.M.</b> Professor of Fundamental Theology, Rector of College of Theology of Religious Orders (Budapest), member of the Jaki Society	<b>A Half-Century Retrospective on Stanley L. Jaki’s Brain, Mind, and Computers</b>
11:00–11:30	<i>(Break)</i>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:30–11:50	<b>Lucía Guerra Menéndez</b> Associate Professor of Physiology CEU–San Pablo University (Madrid), member of the Jaki Society	<b>Mind, Dignity, and Data: Stanley Jaki’s Insights for Human-Centred AI Ethics</b>
11:50–12:10	<b>Ágnes Kovács</b> Associate Professor, St. John Paul II Pope Research Centre, Pázmány Catholic University (Budapest), member of the Jaki Society	<b>AI and Violation of Cognitive Freedom</b>
12:10–12:30	<b>András Tóth</b> Associate Professor, Károli University (Budapest), President of Jáki Society	<b>Motivation and Justification for Positioning Artificial Pattern Recognition Systems as Intelligence: A Manifestation of New Ethics?</b>
12:30–12:50	<b>Alessandro Giostra</b> teacher of Philosophy and History (Italy)	<b>Mind as a Machine in the Enlightenment and Positivist Ages</b>
12:50–13:40	<i>(Break)</i>	<b>Lunch Break</b>

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<b>13:40–14:00</b>	<b>Zoltán Szűts</b> (online) Professor, dean of Eszterházy Catholic University in Eger (Hungary)	<b>Human-centered artificial intelligence in Catholic education. Pedagogical methodology guidelines commissioned by the Jaki Society</b>
<b>14:00–14:20</b>	<b>Claudia Lentini</b> G.B. Dusmet Foundation President of the Scientific Committee of the School for Socio-Political Commitment, Cooperation and Development in the Mediterranean	<b>Artificial Intelligence in the European Public Administration (PA) What role for PA</b>
<b>14.20–14:40</b>	<b>Marco Russo</b> OMAEC delegate to Vatican	<b>Inspiring dialogue for an artificial intelligence at the service of the common good</b>
<b>14:40–15:00</b>	<b>Pál Belényesi</b> policy director, Central European Lawyers Initiative (Hungary)	<b>Artificial Intelligence in the Media. What role for Religion?</b>

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