

## 15th National Communication Ethics Conference

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#### Speakers

#### **Susan Petrilli**

**Keynote Speaker:** *Communication Ethics and Semiotics*



**Susan A. Petrilli** is qualified as Full Professor of Philosophy and Theory of Languages at the University of Bari "Aldo Moro," Italy, where she teaches Semiotics and Semiotics of translation, and directed the PhD program in Language Theory and Sign Science from 2012 to 2016. Currently she is also Visiting Research Fellow at The University of Adelaide, South Australia.

She has lectured as International Visiting Professor at various universities worldwide including in Australia, China, USA, Canada, South Africa, and across Europe, and has held courses regularly in Brazil at Universities in San Carlos, Campinas, Vittoria and San Paolo.

In addition to sitting on the advisory board of several international institutions and organizational committees for the promotion of sign and language studies globally, she is 7th Sebeok Fellow of the Semiotic Society of America, Fellow of the International Communicology Institute (ICI), and vice-President of the International Association for Semiotic Studies.

She directs various book series in Italy and in 2016 founded the series "Reflections on Signs and Language" with Peter Lang publishers in Berne, Switzerland. She is invited member of the scientific committee of several international journals.

Her principal research interests relate to such areas as Philosophy of Language, Semiotics, General Linguistics, Translation Theory, Cultural Studies, Communication Studies. With Augusto Ponzio she has introduced the seminal concept of "semioethics".

As translator and editor she has contributed to spreading the ideas of such figures as Victoria Welby, Charles Peirce, Giovanni Vailati, Gérard Deledalle, Charles Morris, Thomas Sebeok, Mikhail Bakhtin, Emmanuel Levinas, Adam Schaff, Ferruccio Rossi-Landi, Giorgio Fano and Umberto Eco.

She publishes regularly in English and Italian. In addition to numerous book chapters and essays in international journals and miscellanies, she has edited many collective volumes and translated many others. Her book titles include: *The Self as a Sign, the World and the Other* (2013), *Em outro lugar e de outro modo* (2013), *Sign Studies and Semioethics. Communication, Translation and Values* (2014), *Riflessioni sulla teoria del linguaggio e dei segni* (2014), *Victoria Welby and the Science of Signs* (2015), *Nella vita dei segni* (2015), (in collab. with A. Ponzio) *Semioetica e comunicazione globale* (2014) and *Lineamenti di semiotica e di filosofia del linguaggio* (2016). Her most recent monograph is *The Global World and Its Manifold Faces. Otherness as the Basis of Communication* (2016), followed by the volumes *Digressioni nella storia. Dal tempo del sogno al tempo della globalizzazione* (2017), *Challenges to Living Together. Transculturalism, Migration, Exploitation. For a Semioethics of Human Relations* (2017), and for the book series *Athantor, Fedi, credenze e fanatismo* (Faiths, Beliefs and Fanaticism, ed. 2016), *Pace, pacificazione, pacifismo e i loro linguaggi* (Peace, pacification, pacifism and their languages, ed. 2017), and *L'immagine nella parola, nella musica e nella pittura* (The image in the word, in music and in painting, ed. 2018).

In addition to English and Italian her writings are available in Portuguese, Spanish, French, German, Serb, Greek, Chinese.

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## **Augusto Ponzio**

Plenary Speaker



**Augusto Ponzio** is Professor Emeritus of Philosophy and Theory of Languages, University of Bari "Aldo Moro". At the same university he founded the department of Philosophy of language in 1970 and the Doctoral Program in Language Theory and Sign Sciences in 1988 (which he directed until 2012). He directs several book series including "Athantor", founded in 1990 (now at its XXVIIIth edition). Most recently with Susan Petrilli he has founded the book series "Reflections on Signs and Language", Peter Lang publishers.

His research interests develop at the intersections between Philosophy of Language, General Linguistics, Semiotics, Biosemiotics and Literary Theory. In addition to numerous essays and articles, to edited and translated volumes, he has published widely as author in Italy and abroad.

As translator and editor he has promoted the works of Peter of Spain, Mikhail Bakhtin, Roland Barthes, Emmanuel Lévinas, Karl Marx, Ferruccio Rossi-Landi, Adam Schaff, Thomas A. Sebeok.

Most recently he has published the bilingual edition (Russian / Italian): *Michail Bachtin e il suo circolo, Opere 1919-1930*, translation (in collab. with L. Ponzio), introduction and comment by A. Ponzio, Milan, Bompiani ("Il pensiero occidentale"), 2014; and Roland Barthes, *Il discorso amoroso*, Seminar held at the l'École pratique des hautes études 1974-1978, followed by *Frammenti di un discorso amoroso*, translated and edited by A. Ponzio, Milan, Mimesis, 2014.

He has acted as International Visiting Professor at various universities worldwide - Australia, China, Brazil, USA, Canada, South Africa, and across Europe. He lectures on a regular basis in Brazil, at the Universities of San Carlos, Campinas and Brazil.

His works are translated in various languages including French, English, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese.

See the Wikipedia entry, Augusto Ponzio.

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