

## SPEAKERS



### Dr. Yaron Brook

Dr. Brook is chairman of the board of the Ayn Rand Institute. He is co-author, with Don Watkins, of *In Pursuit of Wealth* (2017), of *Equal Is Unfair* (2016) and of the national bestseller *Free Market Revolution* (2012). He is the host of *The Yaron Brook Show* on YouTube.



### Dr. Aaron Smith

Dr. Smith, PhD in philosophy, is an instructor and fellow at the Ayn Rand Institute where he teaches and develops educational content for the Institute's intellectual training and outreach programs. He is a member of the Ayn Rand University faculty and is a frequent speaker at ARI conferences.



### Dr. Onkar Ghate

Dr. Ghate is senior fellow, chief philosophy officer, and a board member of the Ayn Rand Institute. He specializes in Rand's philosophy, Objectivism, and is ARI's senior instructor and editor. He publishes and lectures on Rand's philosophy and fiction, including on the application of Objectivism in the culture, and has been a guest on national radio and television programs.



### Dr. Nikos Sotirakopoulos

Dr. Sotirakopoulos is a visiting fellow at ARI. His main research interest is the history of political ideas, and he teaches the course Marx and Communism at Ayn Rand University. He is the author of *Identity Politics and Tribalism: The New Culture Wars*.

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## AMSTERDAM

MARCH 8–10, 2024



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## FRIDAY MARCH 8

7:00 – 9:00 PM

Welcome Reception & Opening Remarks

## SATURDAY MARCH 9

9:00 – 10:00 AM

**Onkar Ghate:** Why We Need More Objectivists and Objectivist Intellectuals

10:00 – 10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**Yaron Brook, Onkar Ghate, Aaron Smith:** Small-Group Discussions and Q&A

12:00 – 1:30 PM Buffet Lunch

1:30 – 2:30 PM

**Yaron Brook:** The Battle for the Future

2:30 – 3:00 PM Break

3:00 – 4:30 PM

**Breakout Reading Groups:** “What Is Capitalism?” and “Global Balkanization”

## SUNDAY MARCH 10

9:00 – 9:45 AM

**Nikos Sotirakopoulos:** Lessons from the Intellectual Success of Marxism

9:45 – 10:30 AM

**Yaron Brook:** Amsterdam and the Birth of Capitalism

10:30 – 11:00 AM Break

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

**Breakout Reading Groups:** “What Is Capitalism?” and “Global Balkanization”

12:30 – 2:00 PM Buffet Lunch and Group Photo

2:00 – 3:30 PM

**Yaron Brook, Onkar Ghate, Nikos Sotirakopoulos:** Q&A Panel on Objectivism

3:30 – 4:00 PM Break

4:00 – 4:30 PM

Closing Remarks

6:00 – 10:00 PM

Social Event at Bierfabriek Amsterdam  
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■ Conference Sessions

■ Conference Meals

■ Breakout Sessions



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