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The Department of Classics, Faculty of Philology, invites you to the lecture of **Alessandro Schiesaro**, Professor of Latin, Sapienza University (Rome):

"Materiam superabat opus: Lucretius metamorphosed"

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MATERIAM SUPERABAT OPUS: LUCRETIUS METAMORPHOSED

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Taking its cue from the Phaethon episode in *Metamorphoses* 1-2, this paper explores the implications of this important section of the poem for an understanding of the relationship between Ovid and Lucretius. Attention is focussed especially on the contrast between different approaches to didactic poetry and to the values and limits of the sublime as a vehicle for didacticism.