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Programme

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Friday, 1st of November

9:15-9:30 Welcome

Panel 1. Yoga (Chair: VALTERS NEGRIBS)

9:30-10:00 HAO SUN (University of Hamburg)

The inner states of a virtuous person towards concentration (*samādhi*) in the *Yogācārabhūmi*.

10:00-10:30 GEORGI KRASTEV (University of Vienna)

A reflection of emptiness: *śūnyatābimba* in select passages of the *Sekoddeśa* and Nāropā's *Paramārthasaṃgraha* commentary

10:30-11:00 tea break

11:00-11:30 ROCCO CESTOLA (IIAS Leiden University)

Śabda as *cittavṛtti* or the word as mental event: *puruṣa*, *citta*, and *sphoṭa* in the *Yogaśāstra* of Patañjali

11:30-12:00 CHIARA POLICARDI (University of Milan)

Animal-human *yoginīs* and *siddhis* in pre-modern Śaiva tantric traditions

12:00-13:00 lunch

Panel 2. Philosophy (Chair: ALFRED YE)

13:00-13:30 NIVEDITA CHATURVEDI (University of Delhi)

The nature of *pramāṇa* and its *phala*: Kumārila Bhaṭṭa on the subject

13:30-14:00 SANDHYA PRUTHI (University of Delhi)

Locus of *avidyā* (metaphysical ignorance): Maṇḍana Miśra and Sureśvara

14:00-14:30 ANUSHA RAO (University of Toronto)

The philosopher, fiend who misguides: representations of Śaṅkara in early Dvaita writings

14:30-15:00 tea break

Panel 3. Śāstras: Dharma and Kāma (Chair: TARA HEUZÉ)

15:00-15:30 KUSH DEPALA (Heidelberg University)

“So the wise say”: exploring intertextuality within the *Mahābhārata* and the *Manusmṛti*

15:30-16:00 SHUBHAM ARORA (The University of British Columbia)

The politics of orgasm: representations of female sexual behavior as linked to territory in ancient, medieval, and pre-modern Kāmaśāstric texts

Keynote Lecture

16:00-16:45 DIWAKAR ACHARYA (Spalding Professor of Eastern Religions and Ethics, Oxford)

A pure heart can judge right and wrong: on *ātmatuṣṭi* and other grounds of ethical judgement

Evening group photo and conference dinner

Saturday, 2nd of November

Panel 4. Linguistics, Mathematics, Astronomy (Chair: ANTONIA RUPPEL)

- 9:30-10:00 MARTA MONKIEWICZ (University of Wrocław)
Astronomical knowledge of Vedic period enunciated in two recensions of *Jyotiṣavedāṅga*
- 10:00-10:30 ALESSANDRA PETROCCHI (University of Oxford)
A perspective on numeral syntax and discourse
- 10:30-11:00 tea break

Panel 5. Vedic and Ritual Studies (Chair: JESSE LUNDQUIST)

- 11:00-11:30 RAIK STRUNZ (Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg)
Towards a critical edition of the *Kāṭhakaḡṛhyasūtra*
- 11:30-12:00 BARBORA SOJKOVA (University of Oxford)
“With my own skin I may flourish”: Brāhmaṇa prose on the relationship of men and cattle
- 12:00-12:30 DOMINIK A. HAAS (University of Vienna)
Thinking inside the ritual box: the employment of *sāvitrīs* in the *upanayana*
- 12:30 - 13:30 lunch

Panel 6. Literature, Music, Aesthetics (Chair: LIDIA WOJTCZAK)

- 13:30-14:00 PETER PASEDACH (University of Hamburg)
Ṛtumarṇanam or “the description of the seasons”: the third canto of Ratnākara’s *Haravijaya*.
- 14:00-14:30 IGA BIELAWSKA (University of Warsaw)
The *Tamiḷttāy* figure based on a narrative poem titled *Tamiḷttāy Piḷḷaittamil* by Kaviṇar Pēkaṇ
- 14:30-15:00 ERIKA CARANTI (University of Tübingen)
Interaction between music and literature in the texts of Hindustanī semi-classical music
- 15:00-15:30 tea break
- 15:30-16:00 OMAR ABU DBEI (“La Sapienza”, University of Rome)
On the origin of dramatic *bhāvas*: reading a passage from the *Kālikāpurāṇa*

Panel 7. Medicine (Chair: SZILVIA SZANYI)

- 16:00-16:30 VITUS ANGERMEIER (University of Vienna)
Dharma and the reasons for suffering in Ayurveda
- 16:30-17:00 DIWAKAR KUMAR SINGH (University of Delhi)
Epistemology of healings: Buddhist imagination of medicine (c. 500-1200 C.E.)