



CONFERENCE ON BUDDHISM ACROSS ASIA: STETMORY OF MATERIAL INTELLECTIVAL AND CHAS

NETWORKS OF MATERIAL, INTELLECTUAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE

16-18 February 2009 Orchard Hotel Orchard Ballroom, Level 3 Singapore

PROGRAMME

(as on 29 January 2009)

Monday, 16 February 2009

8.30 am - 9.00 am Registration

9.00 am - 9.10 am Welcome Remarks

Ambassador K KESAVAPANY

Director, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore

9.10 am – 9.30 am **Keynote Address**

BUDDHIST STUDIES AND BUDDHIST PRACTICE

Chairperson: Ambassador K KESAVAPANY

Director, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

Keynote Speaker: Dr Prapod ASSAVAVIRULHAKARN

Assistant Professor, Faculty of Arts, Chulalongkorn

University, Thailand

9.30 am – 10.30 am **PLENARY SESSION 1**

TRANSMISSION OF BUDDHIST IDEOLOGY, MONASTIC ORGANISATION

AND ARTISTIC EXPRESSION IN ASIA

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson: Dr Peter SKILLING

Maître de Conférences, Department of Buddhist Studies Group, École française d'Extrême-Orient –

Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre, Thailand

Paper Presenter: Dr Gauri KRISHNAN

Deputy Director (Research & Publications); and Senior Curator (South Asia), Asian Civilizations Museum, National Heritage Board, Singapore

10.30 am – 11.00 am Coffee



PARALLEL PANELS 1 & 2

PANEL 1 ACROSS MOUNTAINS, DESERTS, AND SEAS: TRANSREGIONAL EXCHANGE

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Professor WANG Bangwei

Institute of Oriental Studies, Peking University, China

Paper Presenters:

Dr Tansen SEN

Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

RETHINKING THE BUDDHIST INTERACTIONS BETWEEN INDIA AND CHINA

Dr Jason NEELIS

Assistant Professor, Department of Religion, University of Florida, USA

ECONOMIC NETWORKS FOR LONG-DISTANCE TRANSMISSION OF BUDDHISM IN SOUTH AND CENTRAL ASIAN TRANSIT ZONES

Associate Professor Jinhua CHEN

Department of Asian Studies, University of British Columbia, Canada

MEDITATION TRADITION IN THE FIFTH CENTURY NORTHERN CHINA: WITH A SPECIAL REFERENCE TO A FORGOTTEN "KASHMIRI" MEDITATION TRADITION BROUGHT TO CHINA BY BUDHABHADRA'S (359-429)

Professor Fabio RAMBELLI

Department of Cultural Studies, Sapporo University, Japan

THE IDEA OF INDIA (TENJIKU) IN PRE-MODERN JAPAN: ISSUES OF SIGNIFICATION AND REPRESENTATION IN THE BUDDHIST TRANSLATION OF CULTURES

Dr Tilman FRASCH

Senior Lecturer, Department of History, Manchester Metropolitan University, United Kingdom

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PANEL 2 THE TRANSMISSION OF IDEAS AND TEXTS

(Lavender, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Dr Peter SKILLING

Maître de Conférences, Department of Buddhist Studies Group, École française d'Extrême-Orient – Sirindhorn Anthropology Centre, Thailand

Paper Presenters:

Mr Stefan BAUMS

Research Associate, Department of Asian Languages and Literature, University of Washington, USA

TRUTH AND SCRIPTURE IN EARLY BUDDHISM

Dr Claudio CICUZZA

Lecturer, Department of Humanities, Mahidol University, Thailand

THE SYMBOLS ON THE BUDDHA'S FEET: DIFFERENT IDEAS, TEXTS, AND PHYSICAL REPRESENTATIONS

Dr Elsa LEGITTIMO

Post-doctoral Researcher and Lecturer, Institute of Indology and Tibetology, University of Munich, Germany

THE FIRST ĀGAMA TRANSMISSION TO CHINA

Professor Ann HEIRMAN

Department of Chinese Language and Culture, Ghent University, Belgium

ABRIDGED TEACHING (LÜE JIAO): MONASTIC RULES BETWEEN INDIA AND CHINA

Dr Catherine LUDVIK

Lecturer, Global Japan Center, Kyoto Sangyo University, Japan

Sarasvatī in Japanese Garb: With a Focus on Representations from the 13^{th} to the Early 14^{th} Century

1.00 pm - 2.00 pm Lunch

(Orchard Ballroom 2, Level 3)

2.00 pm – 3.00 pm PLENARY SESSION 2

BEFORE BUDDHISM, BEYOND BUDDHISM: ASPECTS OF THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF BUDDHISM IN INDIA

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson: Dr Tansen SEN

Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Institute of

Southeast Asian Studies

Paper Presenter: Professor Nayanjot LAHIRI

Dean of Colleges, Department of History,

University of Delhi, India

3.00 pm - 3.30 pm Tea

3.30 pm – 5.30 pm **PARALLEL PANELS 3 & 4**

PANEL 3 THE TRANSMISSION OF IDEAS AND TEXTS (Continued)

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Dr Claudio CICUZZA

Lecturer, Faculty of Social Science and Humanities, International PhD Programme in Buddhist Studies, Mahidol University, Thailand

Paper Presenters:

Ms Giuliana MARTINI

PhD Candidate, Department of Asian Studies, University of Naples, Italy

MODES OF TRANSMISSION, CLUES FROM WITHIN: OF WHAT PHILOLOGICAL USE? THE BUDDHA'S VISIT TO KAPILAVASTU IN THE BOOK OF YSAMBASTA

Professor DUAN Qing

Sanskrit & Pali Section, Peking University, China AT DISPOSAL OF THE SECULAR WORLD: 3 CASES RELEVANT TO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN KHOTANESE MONASTERIES AND THE SECULAR WORLD

Dr Jowita KRAMER

Visiting Professor, Virtual Jaspers Centre, University of Heidelberg, Germany

INDIAN ABHIDHARMA LITERATURE IN TIBET: THE SECTION ON VIJÑĀNA IN STHIRAMATI'S PAÑCASKANDHAKAVIBHĀṣĀ

Dr Tony DONALDSON

Former Visiting Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

SECRET SONGS IN BUDDHIST RITUALS OF TIBET, NEPAL AND SRI LANKA

PANEL 4 ARCHAEOLOGY AND BUDDHISM: FROM MAURYAN INDIA TO MEDIEVAL BENGAL

(Lavender, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Professor Hermann KULKE

Department of History, Kiel University, Germany

Paper Presenters:

Professor Himanshu Prabha RAY

Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

DHAMMARĀJA ASOKA AND THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF MAURYAN SITES (317 AND 186 BC) IN PENINSULAR INDIA

Mr Abhishek Singh AMAR

PhD Candidate, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

NEGOTIATING CO-EXISTENCE: A STUDY OF INTER-RELIGIOUS DYNAMICS IN THE BODHGAYĀ REGION

Mr Vincent TOURNIER

PhD Candidate, Buddhist Studies, Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes (EPHE), Paris

Mahākāśyapa, his Lineage, and the Fate of the Dharma: Some Considerations on and Around the Bodhgayā Inscription of Mahānāman

Dr Suchandra GHOSH

Reader, Department of Ancient Indian History and Culture, University of Calcutta, India
SITUATING BUDDHISM IN EARLY MEDIEVAL
SOUTH EASTERN BENGAL FROM EPIGRAPHY

Tuesday, 17 February 2009

8.30 am – 9.30 am **PLENARY SESSION 3**

TRANSFIGURATION, TRANSFORMATION, CHANGE IN QUALITY AND

RESTORATION OF BUDDHISM IN EAST ASIA

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson: Professor John R McRAE

Visiting Professor of Buddhist Studies, Department of Religious Studies, Stanford University, USA

Paper Presenter: Professor Kiyotaka KIMURA

President, International College for Postgraduate

Buddhist Studies, Tokyo, Japan

9.30 am – 10.00 am Coffee

10.00 am – 12.00 noon **PARALLEL PANELS 5 & 6**

PANEL 5 ARCHAEOLOGY AND BUDDHISM: FROM MAURYAN INDIA TO MEDIEVAL BENGAL (Continued)

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Professor Juhyung RHI

Department of Archaeology and Art History, Seoul National University, Korea

Paper Presenters:

Dr Akira SHIMADA

Assistant Professor, Department of History, State University of New York at New Paltz, USA

THE EARLY PHASE OF THE AMARĀVATĪ STŪPA: DATE, DIMENSION AND THE LINK TO THE EARLY BURIAL TRADITION

Professor Upinder SINGH

Department of History, University of Delhi, India NAGARJUNAKONDA: INTERPRETING THE RUINS OF A BUDDHIST COSMOPOLIS

PANEL 6 RITUALS AND REPRESENTATION

(Lavender, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Associate Professor Daniel BOUCHER

Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University, USA

Paper Presenters:

Dr CHEN Huaiyu

Assistant Professor, Arizona State University, USA

CANONICAL AND LOCAL BUDDHIST RITUALS: A READING OF THE LANTERN PRAYERS IN DUNHUANG MANUSCRIPTS

Associate Professor James ROBSON

Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, Harvard University, USA

THE BUDDHA IMAGE INSIDE-OUT: ON THE PLACING OF OBJECTS AND MANUSCRIPTS INSIDE STATUES IN EAST ASIA

Professor Monika ZIN

Institute for Indology and Tibetology, Ludwig-Maximinians-Universität, Munich, Germany NAGARJUNAKONDA: ITS MONASTERIES AND THEIR SCHOOL AFFILIATIONS

Mrs Nasrin TAYEFEH GHAHREMANI

Archaeologist, Iranian Centre for Archaeological Research (ICAR), The Iranian Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization, Tehran, Iran

BUDDHISM IN IRAN AND A FOCUS ON HONAMEH, AS A POSSIBLE BUDDHIST TEMPLE

Associate Professor SHI Zhiru

Department of Religious Studies, Pomona College, USA

KSITIGARBHA BODHISATTVA IN THE MAPPING OF THE PASSAGE OF DEATH IN DUNHUANG CAVE ART AND ARCHITECTURE

Dr Iman LAI

Assistant Curator, Department of Antiquities, National Palace Museum, Taipei, Taiwan

REQUEST FOR A CAKRAVARTIN: A NINTH-CENTURY RELIQUARY EXCAVATED FROM THE FAMEN MONASTERY, CHINA

Professor JOO Kyeongmi

Research Professor, Institute of Humanities and Social Sciences, Pukyong National University, Korea

REINTERPRETATION OF THE EXCAVATION OF HWANGNYONGSA PAGODA IN GYEONGJU, KOREA

12.00 noon – 1.00 pm

Lunch

(Orchard Ballroom 2, Level 3)

1.00 pm - 2.00 pm

PLENARY SESSION 4

BUDDHISM AS A CARRIER OF CULTURE

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson: Professor WANG Bangwei

Institute of Oriental Studies, Peking University,

China

Paper Presenter: Professor Victor H MAIR

Professor of Chinese Language and Literature, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Pennsylvania, USA

2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

PARALLEL PANELS 7 & 8

PANEL 7 BUDDHISM ACROSS CHINA

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Professor Jan NATTIER

Research Professor of Buddhist Studies, International Research Institute for Advanced Buddhology, Soka University, Japan

Paper Presenters:

Associate Professor Daniel BOUCHER

Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University, USA

WHAT IS A "HĪNAYĀNA ZEALOT" DOING IN FIFTH-CENTURY CHINA?

PANEL 8 CROSS-CURRENTS IN BUDDHIST ART AND ARCHITECTURE

(Lavender, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Professor Monika ZIN

Institute for Indology and Tibetology, Ludwig-Maximinians-Universität, Munich, Germany

Paper Presenters:

Professor Juhyung RHI

Department of Archaeology and Art History, Seoul National University, Korea

LUMINOUS VISION IN A CAVE: INDRASAILAGUHA IN TEXTUAL AND VISUAL TRADITIONS OF INDIAN BUDDHISM

Professor John R McRAE

Visiting Professor of Buddhist Studies, Department of Religious Studies, Stanford University, USA

GLIMMERINGS OF INDIA: THE ROLE OF BODHIDHARMA IN THE FORMATION OF CHINESE CHAN BUDDHISM

Mr Xiang WANG

PhD Candidate, Religious Studies, Stanford University, USA

BUDDHIST LIBRARIES AT TANG CHANG'AN AND THEIR ASIAN CONTEXTS

Dr YANG Lu

Assistant Professor, University of Kansas, USA
THE ITINERARY OF FAME BUILDING: ITINERANT
LEARNING AND ABBOTSHIP IN MEDIEVAL
CHINESE BUDDHISM

Associate Professor XUAN Fang

Institute for the Study of Buddhism and Religious Theory, Renmin University, Beijing, China

THE CHANGING PATTERN OF STATE-BUDDHISM RELATIONSHIP IN CONTEMPORARY CHINA: AN OBSERVATION BASED ON THREE NEWS AFFAIRS

Ms Eléonore BUFFLER

PhD Candidate, Historical Sciences (Buddhist Studies), Strasbourg University, France

SPREADING OF SOME BUDDHIST ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNS BETWEEN AFGHANISTAN AND CHINA: THE CASE OF THE CRUCIFORM STUPA

Associate Professor Tracy MILLER

Department of History of Art, Vanderbilt University, USA

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW, SOMETHING BORROWED: REGIONAL STYLE IN THE RITUAL ARCHITECTURE OF MEDIEVAL CHINA

Dr Maya STILLER

PhD Candidate, Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, Center for Buddhist Studies, University of California, Los Angeles

CHARACTERISTIC FEATURES OF KOREAN BUDDHIST MONK PORTRAITS

Wednesday, 18 February 2009

9.00 am - 10.00 am **PLENARY SESSION 5**

FROM ASHOKA TO JAYAVARMAN VII: SOME REFLECTIONS ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BUDDHISM AND THE STATE IN INDIA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA

(Orchard Ballroom 2, Level 3)

Chairperson: Professor Upinder SINGH

Department of History, University of Delhi, India

Paper Presenter: Professor Hermann KULKE

Department of History, Kiel University, Germany

10.00 am – 10.30 am Coffee

PANEL 9 CROSS-CURRENTS IN BUDDHIST ART AND ARCHITECTURE (Continued)

(Orchard Ballroom 2, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Professor Victor H MAIR

Professor of Chinese Language and Literature, Department of East Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Pennsylvania, USA

Paper Presenters:

Professor Ratan PARIMOO

Director, L.D. institute of Indology Museum, Ahmedabad, India

MAPPING THE ASIAN JOURNEY OF VESSANTARA JATAKA: TEXTS AND PICTORIAL IMAGES OF THE PERFECT GENEROSITY OF PRINCE VESSANTARA

Associate Professor Chandreyi BASU

Department of Fine Arts, St Lawrence University, New York, USA

THE BUDDHA'S INTERACTION WITH NAGAS AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF WATER IMAGERY IN KUSHAN ART

Dr Tianshu ZHU

Assistant Professor, History Department, University of Macau

AS THE RESONANT-BODIES OF A BUDDHA: THE HUAFO IMAGES IN THE AURA IN CHINESE BUDDHIST ART

Dr KU Cheng Mei, Kathy

Adjunct Professor, Division of Humanities, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

A RE-INVESTIGATION OF THE NATURE OF THE BOROBODUR

Dr Pinna INDORF

Independent Scholar, USA and Ms Swati Reddy GUDUR

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE RITUAL TRAYS WITH SYMBOLIC MOTIFS RELATED TO SRI OR LAKSHMI

PANEL 10 COLONIAL AND CONTEMPORARY ENCOUNTERS

(Lavender, Level 3)

Chairperson:

Dr Tansen SEN

Visiting Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies

Paper Presenters:

Dr Anne M BLACKBURN

Department of Asian Studies, Cornell University, USA

THE SPHERE OF THE SĀSANA IN THE CONTEXT OF COLONIALISM: RELICS AND RESISTANCE IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN REGION

Professor Elizabeth MOORE

Head, Department of Art and Archaeology, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), London THE SHWEDAGON: VISUALITY, STUPA AND PLACE IN BRITISH BURMA

Ms ZHANG Xing

PhD Candidate, Peking University and Martin Luther University; and Visiting Fellow, Oriental Institute, Germany

BUDDHIST PRACTICES AND INSTITUTIONS OF CHINESE COMMUNITY IN KOLKATA, INDIA

Mr Erik SCHICKETANZ

PhD Candidate, Department of Religious Studies, University of Tokyo, Japan

WANG HONGYUAN AND THE IMPORT OF JAPANESE ESOTERIC BUDDHISM DURING THE REPUBLICAN PERIOD

Professor Chen-kuo LIN

Department of Philosophy, National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan

LÜ CHENG AND THE LIMITS OF MODERN BUDDHIST SCHOLASTICISM

12.30 pm – 1.30 pm Lunch

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

1.30 pm – 3.30 pm

PANEL 11:

THE TRANSLATION OF BUDDHIST TEXTS INTO CHINESE

(Orchard Ballroom 2, Level 3)

Chairperson: Associate *Professor CHEN Jinhua*

Department of Asian Studies, University of British

Columbia, Canada

Paper Presenters: Ms Claudia BOMMER

PhD Candidate, Eberhard-Karls-Universität

Tübingen, Germany

DESCRIBING CHINESE BUDDHIST TRANSLATIONESE

Professor Jan NATTIER

Research Professor of Buddhist Studies, International Research Institute for Advanced

Buddhology, Soka University, Japan

SCRIPTURE AND GENRE IN THE TRANSMISSION OF BUDDHIST TEXTS TO CHINA: TRANSLATING THE

PHRASE "THUS HAVE I HEARD"

Dr Hiromi HABATA

Researcher, The Eastern Institute, Tokyo

STRUGGLES OF TRANSLATORS WITH CORRUPTED

TEXTS

Mr Wei-jen TENG

PhD Candidate, Study of Religion, Harvard

University, USA

THE TRANSMISSION OF THE IDEA OF SANSKRIT COMPOUND (SAMĀSA) IN THE CHINESE

COMMENTARIES OF THE TANG DYNASTY

Dr CHI Limei

PhD Candidate, Department of Asian Studies,

University of British Columbia, Canada

TRANSLATION OR APOCRYPHA: TWO ESOTERIC BUDDHIST TEXTS REGARDING MALAPADAVAJRA

3.30 pm - 4.00 pm Tea

SPECIAL SESSION ON NALANDA

(Orchard Ballroom 3, Level 3)

4.00 pm – 4.10 pm Welcome Remarks

Ambassador K KESAVAPANY

Director, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies, Singapore

4.10 pm – 4.30 pm Introductory Remarks

4.30 pm – 5.30 pm **Keynote Address**

BUDDHA AND THE MODERN WORLD *Nobel Laureate Professor Amartya SEN*

Department of Economics, Harvard University, USA

Vote of Thanks

6.00 pm Reception