

Presenting Tibet: Celebrating the Contributions of E. Gene Smith to Tibetan Studies

Date: 1 July 2011

Venue: Gravensteen (room 111), Pieterskerkhof 6, Leiden

A half-day of presentations and discussion, followed by the formal ceremony of bestowal of the (posthumous) Doctorate in Philosophy (PhD) on E. Gene Smith

Short presentations followed by discussion:

13.00 - 13.05

Welcome by **Prof. Jonathan A. Silk** (Leiden University Institute for Area Studies)

13.05 - 13.50

Dr. Henk Blezer (Leiden University Institute for Area Studies)

Where to Look for the Origins of Zhang zhung-related Scripts

13.50 - 14.35

Prof. Leonard van der Kuijp (Harvard University, USA)

A Tibetan-Buddhist - Protestant-Christian Encounter near Xining, Qinghai Province, in 1890

14.35 - 15.00

Coffee/Tea break

15.00 - 15.45

Prof. Charles Ramble (Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris, France)

The Origins of Tibetan Autobiography

15.45 - 16.30

Prof. Cristina Scherrer-Schaub (University of Lausanne and Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris, France)

Places and writings (waiting) to be discovered: Tibet in the epoch of Paul Pelliot (1878-1945)

16.30 - 17.15

Dr. Peter Verhagen (Leiden University Institute for Area Studies)

Encyclopedic Knowledge in Tibet's Traditions: Si-tu Chos-kyi-'byung-gnas (1699?-1774) and E. Gene Smith

Awarding of the Degree

17.30

Formal bestowal of the doctoral degree

(Senaatskamer of the Academy Building, Rapenburg 73, Leiden)

Information and Registration:

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