

Around Abhinavagupta
Aspects of the Intellectual History of Kashmir from the 9th to
the 11th Centuries

Leipzig, June 7-10, 2013

Conference Venue:

Senatssaal des Rektorats der Universität Leipzig, Ritterstraße 26, 04109 Leipzig

Conveners: Eli Franco and Isabelle Ratié,
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Program

Friday, June 7

18:00-20:00 Get Together

Saturday, June 8

09:15-09:30

Welcome Address by the President of the Saxon Academy of Sciences, Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer

09:30-10:15

Opening Lecture

Michael Witzel (Harvard University)

Kashmiri Brahmins under the Karkota, Utpala and Lohara Dynasties, 625-1101 CE

Section 1: Abhinavagupta and the Shaiva Philosophy of Kashmir

10:15-11:00

Lyne Bansat-Boudon (École Pratique des Hautes Études)

The World on Show, or Sensibility in Disguise: Philosophical and Aesthetic Issues in a Stanza by Abhinavagupta (*Tantrāloka* I 332, *Locana* ad I 13)

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:15

Raffaele Torella (University of Rome, La Sapienza)

A Vaiṣṇava Paramādvaita in Tenth-century Kashmir? Vāmanadatta and his *Samvit-prakāśa*

12:15-13:00

John Nemeč (University of Virginia)

Amūrtatva and Materiality in Pratyabhijñā Philosophy

13:00-15:00 Lunch Break

15:00-15:45

Mrinal Kaul (Concordia University, Montréal/University of Naples, L'Orientale)

Can a Reflected Image Exist Separately Outside the Mirror? An Exploration into Abhinavagupta's Theory of Reflection

Section 2: Abhinavagupta and the Poetics of Kashmir

15:45-16:30

Somdev Vasudeva (Kyoto University)

Lakṣaṇam aparyālocitābhidhānam: The Dispute Between Śobhākara and Ruyyaka

16:30-17:00 Coffee Break

17:00-17:45

Daniele Cuneo (Cambridge University)

The Culmination of 'Kashmirian' Sanskrit Aesthetics: Jayaratha's *Vimarśinī* on Ruyyaka's *Alaṃkārasarvasva*

Sunday, June 9

Section 2: Abhinavagupta and the Poetics of Kashmir (continued)

09:30-10:15

David Shulman (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)

Anandavardhana and Abhinavagupta on the Limits of *rasadhvani*: A Reading of DhvA 3.43

10:15-11:00

Yigal Bronner (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)

Udbhāṭa and the Dawn of Kashmiri Poetics

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:15

Judit Törzsök (University of Lille III)

Theatre, Acting and the Image of the Actor in Abhinavagupta's Tantric Sources

12:15-13:00

Elisa Ganser (École Pratique des Hautes Études)

Elements of Ritual Speculation in the *Abhinavabhāratī*

13:00-15:00 Lunch Break

Section 3: Buddhists, Naiyāyikas and Grammarians of Kashmir

15:00-15:45

Larry McCrea (Cornell University)

Abhinavagupta as an Intellectual Historian of Buddhism

15:45-16:30

Vincent Eltschinger (Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna)

Whose Insight Did Śāṅkaranandana Provide with Adornment? More Light on the *prajñālaṅkāra*

Monday, June 10

Section 3: Buddhists, Naiyāyikas and Grammarians of Kashmir (continued)

09:30-10:15

Alessandro Graheli (University of Vienna)

Jayanta and Abhinavagupta on the Contextual Principle of *tātparya*

10:15-11:00

Shinya Moriyama (Shinshu University)

Utpaladeva and Bhāsarvajña: A Comparison between their Refutations of the Sāṃkhya Theory of Causation and Soteriology

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-12:15

Eli Franco (Leipzig University)

Bhāsarvajña and Prajñākaragupta

12:15-13:00

Vincenzo Vergiani (University of Cambridge)

Canonising the *Vākyapadīya*: The Sense and Purpose of Helārāja's Commentarial Project

13:00-15:00 Lunch Break

Section 4: Pandits of Kashmir and the Transition of Buddhism to Tibet

15:00-15:45

Chizuko Yoshimizu (Tsukuba University)

Transmission of the *Mūlamadhyamakakārikā* and the *Prasannapadā* to Tibet from Kashmir

15:45-16:30

Orna Almogi (Hamburg University)

Tantric Scriptures in the *rNying ma rgyud 'bum* Believed to have been Transmitted by Kashmirian Paṇḍitas: A Preliminary Survey

16:30-17:00 Coffee Break

17:00-17:45

Dorji Wangchuk (Hamburg University)

*The Nine-Dimensional Magical Mirror: A Philosophical Work Ascribed to the
Kashmirian Paṇḍita Vimalamitra*

17:45-18:30

Concluding Discussion

For further information, please contact Adelheid Buschner at indsekr@uni-leipzig.de.

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