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Kannada School 2020

Kannada as a Classical Language

Kannada, the Dravidian language of the South Indian state of Karnataka, is a classical Indian language and distinguished by its rich literary history. Today, Kannada is spoken by about 50 million people.

This course focusses on the classical literary genre *Champu*. After an introduction into classical Kannada, Janna's *Yashodhara Charite* (chapters 3 and 4) will be read and studied. The Reader "Classical Kannada Poetry and Prose" by C.N. Ramachandran and B.A. Viveka Rai, published in 2015, will be used as a basic text.

Participants are expected to possess knowledge of fundamental grammar and the Kannada script before attending the course. In case of any doubts please do not hesitate to contact Anna Aurelia Esposito (anna.esposito@uni-wuerzburg.de).

Fee: There will be no fee.

Credits: A certificate can be issued at the end of the course.

Teacher: The course is taught by **Prof. Dr. B.A. Viveka Rai**, who is a retired professor of Kannada Literature and Folklore at the University of Mangalore. Since 2010, he is a regular guest professor at the Chair of Indology, University of Würzburg, teaching modern and classical Kannada, as well as courses on the culture and literature of Karnataka.

Time and Place:

October 19th until 23rd 2020, Monday to Friday, 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. CET.

The course will be taught online. The access code will be communicated to the participants before the course.

Please register!
until September 15th 2020

For registration and further information contact
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