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Seventh International Würzburg Colloquium “Perspectives of Indian Studies” –

Exploring Jain Narrative Literature

August 30th to September 1st 2013

The seventh Würzburg Colloquium “Perspectives of Indian Studies” intends to concentrate on the various dimensions – theological, philosophical, didactic, etc. – as well as on the communicative strategies characterizing Jain narrative literature. The contributors will employ a plurality of methodological approaches – including the perspectives of philology, anthropology, sociology, and literary criticism – in order to stimulate a deeper reflection on a field of Indian Studies which has not yet been adequately explored.

Programme:

Place:

Lehrstuhl für Vergleichende Sprachwissenschaft (Comparative Linguistics),
Residenzplatz 2, Gate A, 3rd floor

Friday, 30.8.

16.00-16.15 Introduction (Dr. Anna Aurelia Esposito, Würzburg)

16.15-17.15 Prof. Dr. Viveka Rai, Würzburg / Mangalore:
“The Concepts of ‘violence’ and ‘nonviolence’ in *Yaśōdhara Carita*,
a Jain narrative poetry of a Kannaḍa poet Janna”

17.15-17.30 Coffee break

17.30-18.30 Dr. Peter Flügel, London:
“Sthanakavasi Monastic Biographies”

Saturday, 31.8.

- 9.30-10.30 Prof. Dr. Jonathan Geen, London Ontario (Canada):
“Śubhaśīla’s *Pāṇḍavacaritra* in Historical Context”
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00-12.00 Dr. Eva de Clercq, Ghent:
“Jain Ramayana criticism: the case of Śambūka”
- 12.00-14.30 Lunch
- 14.30-15.30 Tillo Detige, M.A., Ghent:
“Taking stories seriously: Jaina narrative literature and re-modeling
the study of Jainism”
- 15.30-16.00 Coffee break
- 16.00-17.00 Dr. Luitgard Soni, Marburg / Innsbruck:
“On and about Hariṣeṇa’s *Bṛhatkathākośa*”
- 17.00-17.30 Coffee break
- 17.30-18.30 Prof. Dr. Adelheid Mette, Munich:
“Bālatapas - asceticism and prestige”

Sunday, 1.9.

- 9.30-10.30 Dr. Jayandra Soni, Marburg / Innsbruck:
“Bhogilal J. Sandesara and his Contribution to Jaina Studies (Work
in Progress)”
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00-12.00 Dr. Anna Aurelia Esposito, Würzburg:
“Fairy tales as guidelines? Transmission of doctrine in Saṅghadāsa’s
Vasudevahiṇḍī”