



International Academic Conference

Kraków, 19th-21st May 2016

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

All sessions will take place at
Hotel Wyspiański, ul. Westerplatte 15, 31-033 Kraków

Thursday 19.05.16

8.00-9.00 – Conference registration

9.00-9.30 – Formal opening

Tomasz Sikora, *Head of the Institute for the Study of Religions, Jagiellonian University*

Elizabeth De Michelis, *Modern Yoga Research, YDYS Organizing Committee*

Matylda Ciołkosz, *Institute for the Study of Religions, Chair of the YDYS Organizing Committee*

Session 1 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Federico Squarcini

9.30-10.00 - *Or try this: the alternative practices offered in the "vā" section of Pātañjali's Yoga Sūtra, Chapter One*

Naomi Worth, *University of Virginia, Charlottesville*

10.00-10.30 - *Abhiniveśa: a historical and literary study*

Frederick M. Smith, *University of Iowa, Iowa City*

10.30-11.00 - *The intertextual transposition of the term 'yoga' in a classical context*

Karen O'Brien-Kop, *SOAS, London*

Session 2 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Jason Birch

9.30-10.00 - *Gurus and their mutual relationships*

Tomáš Avramov, *University of South Bohemia, Ceske Budejovice*

10.00-10.30 - *Modern jaina yoga in historical context*

Christopher Chapple, *Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles*

10.30-11.00 - *Redefining Jain Yoga in Manonūsāsanam*

Samani Pratbha Pragma, *SOAS, London*

11.00-11.30 – Break

11.30-13.00 – Keynote Session 1; The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Michel Angot (EHESS, Paris) and Philipp Maas (University of Vienna)

Chair: Dominik Wujastyk

TRADITIONS: 'General patterns of emergence of sanskritic traditions, with special reference to problems of authorship in relation to the Yogasūtra/Pātañjalayogaśāstra

13.00-14.30 – Lunch



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Session 3 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Robert Czyżykowski

14.30-15.00 - *Buddha's rejection of early brahminic yoga soteriology and the (in)significance of it throughout the history of East Asian Buddhism*

Kamil Nowak, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

15.00-15.30 - *On the process of internalization of the enlightened other in devata yoga and buddhānusmṛti*

Jarosław Zapart, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

15.30-16.00 - *Insight transformed: the Indian vicissitudes of modern Burmese Mindfulness*

Daniel M. Stuart, University of South Carolina, Columbia

16.00-16.30 - *Let the sādhus talk. Ascetic practitioners of yoga in Northern India*

Daniela Bevilacqua, SOAS, London

Session 4 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Marzenna Jakubczak

14.30-15.00 - *Buddhi, ahaṁkāra, manas in the teaching of yoga in Mahābhārata XII.203-210*

Kenji Takahashi, Kyoto University and Leiden University

15.00-15.30 - *Yoga and ritual in the Kirātaparvan (Mbh 3.37-3.42)*

Christopher Gibbons, University of Queensland, Brisbane

15.30-16.00 - *A lesser-known flavour of yoga: the Jñānayoga chapter of the Śivadharmottara*

Paolo Magnone, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Milan

16.00-16.30 - *Introduction to the Dharmaputrikā*

Christèle Barois, University of Vienna

16.30-17.00 – Break

Session 5 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Paolo Magnone

17.00-17.30 - *The misfortunes of samādhi: on Patañjali's attitude to mystic powers*

Dominik Wujastyk, University of Alberta, Edmonton

17.30-18.00 - *Prayogasandhi in old javanese texts and its sanskrit antecedents*

Andrea Acri, Nalanda-Sriwijaya Centre, ISEAS Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore, and Nalanda University, Rajgir

18.00-18.30 - *Yogic dialectic: where yoga is the pacification of all views*

Karl-Stéphan Bouthillette, Ludwig-Maximilians Universität, Munich

18.30-19.00 - *The yoga of the Mataṅgapārameśvaratantra*

Jean-Michel Creisemeas, University of Paris III: Sorbonne Nouvelle

Session 6 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Frederick Smith

17.00-17.30 - *Kuṇḍalinī concept in Malayalam works of Nārāyaṇa Guru*

Hanna Urbańska, University of Wrocław

17.30-18.00 - *Guru-induced samādhi: samādhi in the Satsangjivanam*

Peter Schreiner, University of Zürich

18.00-18.30 - *Contemporary Sāṃkhyayoga: Contributions of Hariharānanda Āraṇya and Kāpil Maṭh to modern yoga*

Knut A. Jacobsen, University of Bergen

18.30-19.00 - *Sāṃkhya-Yoga tradition in Kāpil Maṭh: the question of identity of a revived philosophical school*

Marzenna Jakubczak, Pedagogical University of Kraków



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Friday 20.05.16

8.30-9.00 – Conference registration

Session 7 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Daniela Bevilacqua

9.00-9.30 - *Visual and material evidence for the development of haṭhayoga in the sixteenth century: sculpted reliefs of ascetics in complex non-seated āsanās at Hampi*

Seth Powell, Harvard University, Cambridge

9.30-10.00 - *Out of devotion to the Nāths: paintings of eighty-four āsanās from Rājasthān*

Gudrun Buhnemann, The University of Wisconsin-Madison

10.00-10.30 - *Yesudian and yoga in Hungary 1937-1948: text, context, image and identity*

Cathryn Keller, Independent scholar and Museum consultant

Session 8 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Marzenna Czerniak-Drożdżowicz

9.00-9.30 - *Term "yoga" in the Viśiṣṭa-Advaita-Vedānta tradition*

Ruzana Pskhu and Natalia Safina, Peoples' Friendship University of Russia, Moscow

9.30-10.00 - *Gnosis as samādhi: Vidyāranya's integration of yogic praxis with Advaita Vedāntic gnoseology*

James Madaio, University of Manchester and Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies

10.00-10.30 - *Signs of death in haṭhayogic texts*

Lubomír Ondračka, Charles University, Prague

10.30-11.00 – Break

11.00-12.30 – Keynote Session 2; The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

James Mallinson (SOAS, London) and Jason Birch (SOAS, London)

Chair: Gudrun Buhnemann

TRANSMISSIONS: 'A History of Physical Yoga Practice, with a Focus on Inversions'

12.30-14.00 – Lunch

Session 9 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Lubomír Ondračka

14.00-14.30 - *The essential image in Sabhapati Swami's lifework and an inquiry into its resemblance to Bengali yogic practice*

Keith Edward Cantú, University of California, Santa Barbara

14.30-15.00 - *Yogic practice in the tradition of the Tantric (sahajiyā) Vaiṣṇavism in Bengal*

Robert Czyżykowski, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

15.00-15.30 - *Incorporating globalised modern yoga into a local Hindu tradition of sainthood: the case of "Loknath Yoga" in contemporary West Bengal (India)*

Raphaël Voix, CNRS, Centre d'Etude de l'Inde et de l'Asie du Sud, Paris

15.30-16.00 - *Kuṇḍalinī yoga and women: Śākta temples to streaming services*

Sravana Borkatky-Varma, Rice University, Houston



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Session 10 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Suzanne Newcombe

14.00-14.30 - Yoga and space in Turkey I: the forced disenchantment of the yoga space in Turkey

Aysuda Kölemen, Istanbul Kemerburgaz University

14.30-15.00 - Yoga and space in Turkey II: teaching yoga in a hostile context; the development of niches in the Turkish case

Alexandre Toumarkine, Orient-Institut Istanbul

15.00-15.30 - Yoga and space in Turkey III: the anatolianization of yoga

Till Luge, Orient-Institut Istanbul

15.30/16.00-16.30 – Break

Session 11 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Kamil Nowak

16.30-17.00 - The demography of early modern yoga in the United States

Philip Deslippe, University of California, Santa Barbara

17.00-17.30 - History of yoga in the USSR

Sergey Pakhomov, St. Petersburg State University

17.30-18.00 - Yoga and Theosophy in Finland

Matti Rautaniemi, Åbo Akademi University, Turku

18.00-18.30 - Adaptation or appropriation: the reception of the philosophy and practice of yoga in 20th century European esotericism

Olaf Stachowski, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

Session 12 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Mark Singleton

16.30-17.00 - Yoga family: from Calcutta to "Hot Yoga"

Jerome Armstrong, George Mason University, Fairfax

17.00-17.30 - Practicing philosophy: performing the Yogasūtra in modern postural yoga

Laura von Ostrowski, FAU Friedrich-Alexander-University, Erlangen-Nürnberg

17.30-18.00 - Proprioception over dogma. Sources of authority and standards of orthopraxy in Iyengar Yoga

Matylda Ciołkosz, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

18.00-18.30 - Yoga and Women in the Iyengar Yoga Tradition

Agi Wittich, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

20.30 – Artistic event

Jon Hughes (University of York) & Kimberly Campanello (York St John University)

Cases of sudden conversion for poetry and live electronics: A distillation of experience, fieldwork and research in yoga and tantra - performance & lecture

(Venue: Kolanko no. 6, ul. Józefa 17, Kraków)



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8.30-9.00 – Conference registration

Session 13 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Raphaël Voix

9.00-9.30 - *Academic yoga and contemplation studies: a survey and some reflections*

Elizabeth De Michelis, Independent scholar

9.30-10.00 - *Scholars and authority in modern yoga*

Borayin Larios, University of Heidelberg

10.00-10.30 – Break

10.30-12.30 – Keynote Session 3 – Round Table; The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Christopher Chapple (Loyola Marymont University), Ulrich Pagel (SOAS, London), Federico Squarcini (Università Ca' Foscari, Venezia), Dagmar Wujastyk (University of Vienna), Michel Angot (EHESS, Paris)

Chair: Mark Singleton

TRANSFORMATIONS: 'Yoga and the Academy: Approaches and Issues'

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch

Session 14 - The Zoty Róg Hall, 2nd Floor

Chair: Matylda Ciołkosz

14.00-14.30 - *Trust, authenticity and inspiration: an exploration of kayakalpa/ rasayana practices among modern and contemporary yoga practitioners*

Suzanne Newcombe, Inform, London School of Economics

14.30-15.00 - *The social role of medical descriptions in postural yoga*

Beatrix Hauser, Bremen University

15.00-15.30 - *Yoga science or science for yoga?*

Claudia Wanessa Poletto and Regina Dantas, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro

Session 15 - The Legenda Hall, 3rd Floor

Chair: Elizabeth De Michelis

14.00-14.30 - *Aesthetic experience and yoga practice*

Noora-Helena Korpelainen, University of Helsinki

14.30-15.00 - *Karma yoga, dance mandalas and liquid gold: the culture and impact of post-traditional British yoga camps*

Theo Wildcroft, The Open University, UK

15.00-15.30 - *Yoga as synthesis. Yoga as revival. Eugeniusz Polończyk's vision of yoga.*

Agata Świerżowska, Jagiellonian University, Kraków

15.30-16.00 – Formal closing

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