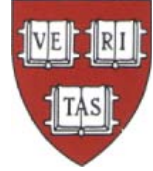




The Exchange of Ideas and Culture between South Asia and Central Europe

October 28 & 29, 2005 Harvard Session
October 27 28, 2006 Heidelberg Session



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Heidelberg Session, October 27 and 28, 2006

Department of History, South Asia Institute (SAI)
University of Heidelberg
Im Neuenheimer Feld 330, 69120 Heidelberg

Venue: Reading Room of the Library, SAI

Please note:

- * Paper presentations 30 minutes
- * Discussants' comments 20 to 30 minutes
- * Each panel will include 30 minutes of group discussion

Thursday, 26th October 2006

19:00

Reception (Foyer of the SAI)

Welcome address by William Sax, Director of the South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg

Refreshments and snacks

Friday, 27th October 2006

10:00-12:00

Panel I: Transcultural Intellectual Encounter beyond Derivative Discourse

Chair: GITA DHARAMPAL-FRICK

Discussant: ANDREW SARTORI

Paper 1: **Sudipta Kaviraj**, School of Oriental and African Studies, London
Edward Said and Forms of Intellectual History

Paper 2: **Ayesha Jalal**, Tufts University, Cambridge, MA
Mohammad Iqbal and Friedrich Nietzsche

12:00-13:30

Lunch (Foyer of the SAI)

13:30-15:30

Panel II: Anti-colonial Nationalism

Chair: PETER PARK

Discussant: SHRUTI KAPILA

Paper 1: **Manu Goswami**, New York University

Remembering the Future

Paper 2: **Harald Fischer-Tiné**, Humboldt University, Berlin

Translating Cultures: Two Hindu Intellectuals in Early 20th Century Europe

15:30-16:00

Coffee break

16:00-18:30

Panel III: Intellectual Journeys of South Asian Intellectuals

Chair: SUGATA BOSE

Discussant: FABRIZIO DE DONNO

Paper 1: **Ben Zachariah**, University of Sheffield

Rethinking (the Absence of) Fascism in India, c. 1922-1945

Paper 2: **Dilip Menon**, Delhi University

A Coast with a View: Kesari Balakrishna Pillai and the Invention of Europe for a Modern Kerala

Paper 3: **Reba Som**, School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Rabindranath Tagore in Europe

18:30-19:00

Refreshments

19:00-20:00

Lecture-cum-Performance: Reba Som,

'The Story of Tagore's Gitanjali'

20:00

Dinner (Buffet in the Foyer of the SAI, registration required)

Saturday, 28th October 2006

9:30-12:00

Panel IV: The Interwar Political Realm

Chair: CHRIS BAYLY

Discussant: KRIS MANJAPRA

Paper 1: **Amit Das Gupta**, Institute of Contemporary History, Berlin

The Third Reich and India: No Chance Lost

Paper 2: **Doug McGetchin**, Florida Atlantic University, MacArthur Campus

Gandhian Non-Violence and the European Peace Movement, 1919-1939

Paper 3: **Kate O'Malley**, Trinity College, Dublin

Indo-Irish Radical Connections

12:00-13:30

Lunch (in the Foyer of the SAI)

13:30-15:30

Panel V: India and Eastern Europe

Chair: SUGATA BOSE

Discussant: ROLAND LARDINOIS

Paper 1: **David Schimmelpenninck van der Oye**, Brock University, St. Catherine's, Ontario
The Origins of Russian Indology

Paper 2: **Stanislava Vavrouskova**, Charles University, Prague
India and Czechoslovakia between Two World Wars: A Study of Cultural Contact and Exchange of Ideas

15:30-16:00

Coffee break

16:00- 18:00

Panel VI: Perceptions and Contact Zones

Chair: GITA DHARAMPAL-FRICK

Discussant: JAROSLAV STRNAD

Paper 1: **Claude Markovits**, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Paris
Occidentalism from Below: Indian Soldiers' Perceptions of the French and French Society during World War I

Paper 2: **Joachim Oesterheld**, Humboldt University, Berlin
World War I as Watershed? From a Unidirectional to a Mutual Encounter in Indo-German Relations before Independence

18:00

Concluding remarks and informal plenary discussion

* For those participants who will be staying in Heidelberg until Sunday morning, we will informally organize a trip to the Old Town on Saturday evening.