

Enlightenment, Wisdom, and Transformation
in the World's Religious Traditions
An International Symposium Hosted by Otani University's
Shin Buddhist Comprehensive Research Institute
In Collaboration with Eötvös Loránd University's Institute for East Asian Studies
December 15-17, 2023

PROGRAM

December 15 (Friday)

Opening Ceremony 9:30~9:50 (Kōrukan 3rd Floor Media Hall)

Session 1 10:00~12:00 (Kōrukan 3rd Floor Media Hall)

(1) Who invented enlightenment?

Ferenc Ruzsa (Eötvös Loránd University)

(2) Self-Understanding, Selfless Action and Transformation (Yoga in the Bhagavadgītā:
Exhibiting a Liberated Man in Hinduism)

Godabarisha Mishra (Nalanda International University)

(3) GLADDENING LIGHT: Wisdom as folly, theophany, inebriation and transfiguration

Thomas Plant (Rikkyo University)

Respondent: Michael Pye (Philipps-Universität Marburg)

Lunch 12:00~13:30

Session 2 13:30~15:30 (Media Hall)

(1) Jesus Christ as the Incarnate Wisdom of God

Tsunoda Yuichi 角田佑一 (Sophia University)

(2) "Wisdom" in East Asian Mahayana Buddhism

Paul Swanson (Nanzan University)

(3) Enlightenment, Wisdom, and Transformation in Islam

Mark Sedgwick (Aarhus University)

Respondent: Domingos Sousa (Nanzan University)

Coffee Break 15:30~15:50

Keynote address 15:50~17:00 (Media Hall)

Shinran's Understanding of Birth in the Pure Land: What Is the "Company of the Rightly Settled"?

Hase Shōtō 長谷正當 (Kyoto University/ Otani University)

December 16 (Saturday)

Session 3 10:00~11:30 (Media Hall)

(1) Remaining in Suffering and Walking Ahead: The Shift in the Meaning of Life in Buddhism

Minoura Akio 箕浦暁雄 (Otani University)

(2) The Wisdom to Become Buddhist: Arguments for Lay Conversion in Late Antique Indian Buddhist Homiletics

Péter Szántó (Eötvös Loránd University)

Respondent: Kigoshi Yasushi 木越康 (Otani University)

Lunch 11:30~13:00

Session 4 13:00~15:00 (Media Hall)

(1) Enlightenment through meditation in 20th century Buddhist and Christian thought

Péter Boros (Eötvös Loránd University)

(2) Light, Visions, and the Name: Medieval Japanese Pure Land Approaches to the True Nature of Reality

Nasu Eishō 那須英勝 (Ryukoku University)

(3) Shinran's Understanding of the Pure Land as "The Land of Immeasurable Light"

Michael Conway (Otani University)

Respondent: James Heisig (Nanzan University)

Coffee Break 15:00~15:30

Session 5 15:30~17:30 (Media Hall)

(1) The place of mystical wisdom in Judaism: The controversy between M. Buber and G. Scholem

Ono Fumio 小野文生 (Doshisha University)

(2) The Emergence of the "Human Buddha" in the Nineteenth Century Europe and the Prejudice of the Enlightenment: Focusing on Ozeray and Burnouf

Nitta Tomomichi 新田智通 (Otani University)

(3) Unbreaking the Broken Commandment: A Buddhist Reading of Hakai

Ama Michihiro 阿満道尋 (Otani University)

Respondent: Fujieda Shin 藤枝真 (Otani University)

December 17 (Sunday)

Session 6 9:30~11:30 (Media Hall)

(1) The Enlightenment and Transformation of King Ajātaśatru according to the Mahāyāna *Mahāparinirvāṇa sūtra*

Inoue Takami 井上尚実 (Otani University)

(2) To discipline or to forget: The idea of the self and ethical conduct in Sufism and Zen through the writings of al-Ghazālī and Dōgen

Yazaki Saeko 矢崎早枝子 (University of Glasgow)

(3) “You are ‘gods’; you are all sons of the Most High.” [Ps. 82.6]: Deification and Perfection in Medieval Mystical Thought

Louise Nelstrop (University of Oxford)

Respondent: Tōnaga Yasushi 東長靖 (Kyoto University)

Lunch 11:30~13:00

Session 7 13:00~15:00 (Media Hall)

(1) Versatile Samantabhadra: The Many Forms of Fugen Bosatsu in Japan

Mónika Kiss (Eötvös Loránd University)

(2) “Illumination Wisdom” for Achieving Enlightenment in the Book of *Red Wisdom* by Suhrawardī

Sepideh Afrashteh (Otani University)

(3) Enlightenment and its Path: The Tantric Way of the Bodhisattva Avalokitesvara Cult in Tibetan Buddhism

Shen Weirong 沈衛榮 (Jinghua University)

Respondent: Robert Rhodes (Otani University)

Coffee Break 15:00~15:30

Session 8 15:30~16:30 (Media Hall)

(1) The Process of Enlightenment in Yogācāra and Huayan Buddhism

Imre Hamar (Eötvös Loránd University)

Respondent: Dake Mitsuya 嵩満也 (Ryukoku University)