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Editing the Śivadharma Corpus

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The texts of the Śivadharma corpus, composed in and after the 7th century, present practical and material aspects of Śaivism at the time of a rise in royal patronage across South and Southeast Asia. Despite the intrinsic historical importance of this material and the rich complexity of its transmission, it attracted relatively little scholarly attention until the last decade. An ERC project (Grant agreement n°803624) was launched in 2018 (https://shivadharmaproject.com/), partly to edit some of the texts of the corpus but also to examine how they were adapted to the different regional contexts in which they are transmitted. This means studying the manuscript transmission of the texts themselves, but also of translations and commentaries on the texts in Sanskrit and Dravidian languages.

In this presentation, Florinda De Simini (PI) will briefly introduce the project and its activities in Naples, Dominic Goodall will present the work being done in Pondicherry, Csaba Kiss will outline our approach to digital-cum-letterpress editing, with concrete examples of what has been achieved to date, and Kengo Harimoto will speak about his experiments with developing tools to locate parallels between two texts/corpora.



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