

Conceptions of Personhood and Their Limits

Inter/Transcultural Explorations

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The concept of personhood is pivotal to many philosophical debates and has been extensively explored from many perspectives. However, a cross-cultural philosophical examination of the issues at stake still has a long way to go. In an attempt to fill up this lacuna, this conference seeks to bring together philosophical positions from the Asian and European context. Given that the close relation between the descriptive and normative dimensions of personhood has played a vital role in the trajectory of this concept, the conference will take this aspect as its point of departure. Without privileging a particular metaphysical or epistemic standpoint, it will focus on those views in both the traditions which attempt to link up these dimensions. Furthermore, the reconstruction of individual positions will emphasize whether and how these positions can be implemented to advance cross-cultural deliberations on personhood.



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Program

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		9.00-9.45	Evrin KUTLU MA Hegel: Self-consciousness and intersubjectivity
2.00-2.30	Prof. Dr. Monika KIRLOSKAR-STEINBACH Opening remarks	9.45-10.30	PD Dr. Hermann-Josef SCHEIDGEN Freedom and the self in Sartre
2.30-3.15	Prof. Dr. Ram Adhar MALL How to save personhood between the two extremes of substantialism and flux?		<i>Break</i>
3.15-4.00	Prof. Dr. Claudia BICKMANN Kant's theory of a person: Mediating between the empirical and the transcendental self	11.00-11.45	Viktoria BURKERT MA Levinas and the ethical dimension of personhood
	<i>Break</i>	11.45-12.30	Radhakrishnan PILLAI MA Concept of statesman as a person in 'Arthasastra'
4.30-5.15	Dr. Jayendra SONI The Jaina concept of self	12.30-12.50	Prof. Dr. Ulrike NIKLAS Koṭikkavi: Paśu im Kontext von pati und paśa
5.15-6.00	Prof. Dr. Ryosuke OHASHI Die Person als die Leere: Eine buddhistische Sicht		<i>Break</i>
6.00-7.00	Prof. Dr. Shubhada JOSHI Lokayata's two-fold model of purushartha and their conception of the self	2.00-2.45	Prof. Dr. Meenal KATARNIKAR Concept of pramaṇa and the buddhist theory of a person
		2.45-3.30	Prof. Dr. Volker BEEH Annatta, Emptiness and Altruism
			<i>Break</i>
		4.00-4.45	Prof. Dr. Guo YI Between freedom and destiny. Aspects of tian and person in early Confucianism
		4.45-5.30	Prof. Dr. Bina GUPTA Self and freedom in Advaita Vedanta
		5.30-6.00	Prof. Dr. Shubhada JOSHI Closing remarks

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