



After Eurocentrism, Beyond Decentering Themes and Methodologies for an Interdisciplinary History of Ideas

Workshop at the South Asia Institute, Heidelberg, 1st – 2nd July 2016

Coordinators: **Benjamin Zachariah** (University of Trier), **Hans Harder**
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Friday July 1, 2016

- 2 pm | Welcome (Hans Harder, Benjamin Zachariah)
- 2:30-4 pm | **Anup Grewal** (University of Toronto): Subaltern Labouring Bodies and Machines in 1930s Socialist Poetics: From Xia Yan's "Contract Labour" to Mulk Raj Anand's *Untouchable*.
- Javed Majeed** (King's College, London): "Everything Built on Moonshine" – Love and Revolution in Islamic Modernist and Socialist Poetry
- 4:30-6 pm | **Joachim Kurtz** (Heidelberg University): Sovereignty Lies in Heaven: Confucian Revivalism and the Re-enchantment of China's Political Order
- Pablo Blitstein** (Heidelberg University): The Concept of "Culture" Between Court Politics and Financial Politics
- 6:15-7 | **Sudipta Kaviraj** (Columbia University, New York): What's Western about Western Thought? (over Skype)

Saturday, July 2, 2016

- 9:30 am | **Kavita Philip** (University of California, Irvine & MPI für Wissenschaftsgeschichte, Berlin): How to Follow Concept and Practice through Science, Technology, and Society: Methodological Notes from Undisciplined Histories of Science.
- Dhruv Raina** (Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi): On 'Conversions' and Contexts: From Biographies to the Sociology of Intellectuals
- 11:30 am | **Benjamin Zachariah** (University of Trier): Intellectual Histories and Decentred Biographies: escaping the historiography of Gandhism through the life of Gandhi
- Hans Harder**: When Ideas Get Stuck in the Idiom, or Don't Sink Deep When Thrown into it: Problems of Intellectual History in Regional Languages of Modern South Asia
- 2 pm | Wind-up session