



Department of Cultural and Religious History of South Asia (Classical Indology)

## Vedic Etymology and the *Nirukta* of Yāska

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### SCHEDULE

Wed. 19.10.  
09:30 - 11:00 Hrs.

Wed. 19.10.  
11.15 - 12:45 Hrs.

Thu. 20.10.  
09:30 - 11:00 Hrs.

Mon. 24.10.  
09:30 - 11:00 Hrs.

Tue. 25.10.  
09:30 - 11:00 Hrs.

Wed. 26.10.  
09:30 - 11:00 Hrs.

*Nirukta* of Yāska is the earliest work on Vedic etymology. It is necessary for establishing the meaning of the transmitted Vedic texts. It complements the science of grammar (*Vyākaraṇa*) which is aimed towards a comprehensive analysis of Sanskrit language. This intensive course will introduce the *Nirukta* of Yāska and discuss selected topics based on readings of the Sanskrit text.

### VENUE

Voßstrasse 2,  
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**Dr. Sukumar Chattopadhyay** is associate professor at the department of Sanskrit (Banaras Hindu University, India). His main area of interest is Vedic studies including the *Nirukta* (etymology) and Pāṇinian Sanskrit grammar. Before joining Banaras Hindu University, he was working at the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts where he was instrumental in editing several volumes of *Kalātattvakośa*. Dr. Chattopadhyay has been visiting fellow of a number of institutions including the Asien-Afrika-Institut (Hamburg).