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The upcoming workshop is a follow-up to a meeting in February 2012 that dealt with questions related to fate, destiny, divine intervention and similar concepts in different Indian traditions. The leading idea is to bring together material from diverse sources and historical epochs that may serve as a starting point for both creating a larger picture and making connections with non-Indian conceptions. This time, both advanced papers that resulted from the previous workshop and fresh ones from new participants will be presented and extensively discussed in preparation for a publication.

Wednesday, December 4, 2013

- 9:00 a.m. *Welcome Address*
Prof. Dr. Thomas Fröhlich (IKGF Deputy Director)
Dr. Sven Sellmer (Univ. Poznań, Former IKGF Visiting Fellow)
- 9:10 a.m. *A Hierarchy of Competing Causalities in the Jantūpākhyāna of the Mahābhārata* (MBh 3.127f.)
Dr. Philipp Maas (Univ. Wien)
- 10:00 a.m. *Kāla as Fate Deity in the Mokṣadharmā-parvan*
Dr. Ivan Andrijić (Univ. Zagreb)
- 10:50 a.m. *Coffee Break*
- 11:20 a.m. *Freedom and Predestination of Devotion. Rūpa Gosvāmin's System of Bhaktirasa*
Dr. Alessandro Graheli (Univ. Wien)
- 12:10 p.m. *Questioning the Gods: the Practices of Provoked Oracular Possession in the Vidyāpīṭha Tantras*
Dr. Olga Serbaeva (Univ. of Zurich)
- 1:00 p.m. *Lunch Break*
- 3:00 p.m. *Houses and Horoscopes: Contemporary Uses of Astrology and Vāstuśāstra in Urban India*
Dr. Caterina Guenzi (École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris)
- 3:50 p.m. *Fate, Freedom and Prognostication in the Context of Giving, Gifts and Their Exchanges in Indian Society*
Dr. Marcus Schmücker (ÖAW Wien)
- 4:40 p.m. *Coffee break*
- 5:10 p.m. *Fate in India. An Exploration of a Conceptual Field*
Dr. Sven Sellmer (Univ. Poznań, Former IKGF Visiting Fellow)
- 6:00 p.m. *End*

Thursday, December 5, 2013

- 9:30 a.m. *Closing Discussion*
- 11:30 a.m. *End*