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Reviewing Indo-German Cultural Contacts in the 21st century

September 23-24, 2013

Convention Centre, JNU

Monday, September 23, 2013

9.30- 9.45: Welcome address by the Vice-Chancellor, JNU/

9.45-10.00: Introduction to the Kolleg: Rekha Vaidya Rajan

10.00-11.00: Keynote address by Anil Bhatti (Prof. Emeritus, JNU)

“Similarity” as a paradigm of cultural theory.

11.00-11.30: Tea break

Session 1 Chair: Prof. Babu Thaliath

11.30-12.15: Monica Juneja (University of Heidelberg)

Beyond Humanism. Austro-German
Weltkunstgeschichte and the endeavour to write
non-eurocentric art histories at the fin de
siècle.

12.15-13.00: Rajendra Dingle (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

Redefining the Human Subject: Dialogicity and the
Medial Turn.

13.00-14.00: Lunch

Session 2 Chair: Prof. Mala Pandurang

14.00-14.45: Heike Liebau (Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin)

Investigating individual life trajectories in the
context of translocal cultural encounters.

14.45-15.30: B. P. Sahu (University of Delhi)

Passages to India: Odisha as the Focus of
Historical Interest.

15.30-15.45: Tea break

Session 3 Chair: Prof. Rajendra Dingle

15.45-16.30: Parnal Chirmuley (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

Chips from Max Mueller's Workshop: A Clear
Account-Book of Concerns.

16.30-17.15: Carmen Ulrich (University of Delhi)

Waldemar Bonsel's "Indian Journey" as a counter-
discourse to the contemporaneous idea of Indian
meekness.

Tuesday, September 24, 2013

Session 4 Chair: Prof. Rekha Rajan

9.30-10.15: Mala Pandurang (SNDT Womens' University, Mumbai)

Indo-German perspectives. Teaching Indian
Narratives in the German EFL classroom.

10.15-11.00: Swati Acharya (University of Pune)

Courtesans as Constructs of Oriental Fantasies.

11.00-11.15: Tea break

Session 5: Chair: Prof. Shaswati Mazumdar

11.15-12.00: Anushka Gokhale (Gujarat Central University, Gandhinagar)

"The Search for the Self", the Golden Twenties
and India in Wolfram Fleischhauer's Popular Novel
"Die Inderin".

12.00-12.45: Jyoti Sabharwal (University of Delhi)

A Different Dialogue: The Ernst Toller-Jawaharlal
Nehru Correspondence.

12.45-14.00: Lunch

Session 6: Chair: Dr. Heike Liebau

14.00-14.45: Mercy V. Guite (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

Representation of the education system in South India in the late 18th century by German missionaries. Shaping Indo-German understanding.

14.45-15.30: Rekha V. Rajan (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

The Relevance of Missionary Sources for a study of transcultural contacts. The Danish-Halle mission in South India.

15.30-15.45: Tea break

Session 7: Chair: Dr. Jyoti Sabharwal

15.45-16.30: Shaswati Mazumdar (University of Delhi)

India in German popular fiction.

16.30-17.30: Panel discussion: (Discussants: Anil Bhatti, Heike Liebau, Mala Pandurang, Monica Juneja, Rajendra Dingle.)

The Role of the Humanities in the 21st century

17.30-18.30: Presentations by DAAD, DFG, AvH-Foundation.