The 8th Annual Meeting of

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March 21-24, 2013

Fudan University, Shanghai, China

#### *Co-sponsored by the Department of Philosophy, Fudan University*

**Thursday 7PM, March 21**

Official Greetings / **Xiangchen Sun**, Dean of School of Philosophy, Fudan University

*Presidential Address*: "Thinking the Elemental in a Comparative Philosophical Context" / **David Jones**, Kennesaw State University; Institute for Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences National Taiwan University

*Keynote Presentation*: “Effacements of Form” / **John Sallis**, Boston College

**Friday 8:30-10AM, March 22**

A

An Interpretation of Wuwei in the Laozi: From the Perspective of Power, Right and Law / **Weiwei Wang**, North China Electric Power University

The Existential Self as NoThing / **Andrew Whitehead**, University College Cork

B

Righting the Question of Consciousness / **Bradley Park**, St. Mary's College of Maryland

Why is "original knowing" neither good nor evil? - On Wang Yang-ming's teaching: "the original state of mind is neither good nor evil"/ **Dan Lin**, Nanjing Normal University

C

Confucianism and Christianity: Incompatibility and Respect for Difference / **Changchi Hao**, Wuhan University

Foucault, Confucianism, and the Family / **Ian Sullivan**, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

**Friday 10:15-11:45**

A

The Philosopher as Therapist/The Philosopher as Patient A Comparative Study of Philosophical Method in the Middle Dialogues of Plato and the Zhuangzi / **Rohan Sikri**, DePaul University

Incommensurability of Two Conceptions of Reality in Nagarjuna's MMK / **Tao Jiang**, Rutgers University

B

The Dream of the Butterfly vs The Grand Illusion / **Julia Jansen**, University College Cork

Tanabe Hajime’s Notion of God/ **James W. Heisig**, Nanzan University

C

Exception and Political Action: Arendt contra Schmitt / **Ewa Plonowska Ziarek**, University at Buffalo

How to Treat Animals: From a Neo-Confucian Point of View / **Xudong Fang**, East China Normal University

LUNCH 11:45-1:15

**Friday 1:15-2:45**

A

Pagan Art is Radical Religion: Revolutionary Aesthetics in Winckelmann (1717-1768), Hegel (1776-1831) and Quatremere de Quincy (1755-1849) / **Louis Ruprecht Jr**., Georgia State University

In Praise of Pleasure / **James Winchester**, Georgia College & State University

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B

On Rectifying Names in Classical Confucian Texts / **Xiaofan Wu**, Hohai University

Man and Nature in Confucianism and Western tradition from Hierocles to Hans Jonas / **Jean-Claude Gens**, University of Burgundy

C

Dao: the Private and the Public - On A New Interpretative Model for Daoism in the Laozi and Zhuangzi / **Yitian Zhai**, University at Buffalo [OR - Why Sex Not Gender]

Sharing the Between: Martin Heidegger and Jean-Luc Nancy on Being-Together across the Divide / **Walter Brogan**, Villanova University

**Friday 3-4:30**

A

From Religious Debates to Philosophic Controversies / **Zhenhua Han**, Beijing Foreign Studies University

Facing the Wrathful Deities: Reading the Tibetan Book of the Dead Through the Lens of Heidegger’s Sein und Zeit / **Joseph Lawrence**, Holy Cross College

B

On Four Kinds of Ideal Government / **Xiaodong Xie**, Xiamen University

Confucian and Platonic Governance / **Elena** **Avramidou** [no institution]

C

Rituals of Death and Formation of Historical Consciousness – A Comparative Attempt / **Hans Ruin**, Södertörn universityStockholm

Thoughts on the Chinese Concept of Xingling / **Denis Mair, Iberia Center for Contemporary Art, Beijing**

**Friday 4:45-6:15**

A

The Notion of Iki – A Hypersensible Act of Performing a Singularity / **Elisabet Yanagisawa Avén**, University of Gothenburg, Sweden

On Not Disturbing Still Water: Ozu Yasujirō and the Technical-Aesthetic Product / **Jason Wirth**, Seattle University

B

Speech and Action - from a Perspective of Comparative Political Philosophy / **Rongnan Zhang**, East China Normal University

From speech to silence and back again – Ueda Shizuteru and Maurice Merleau-Ponty on Language / **Ralf Müller**, Kyoto University

C

Confucians on Rights / **Bai Tongdong**, Fudan University

Rousseau on Rights / **Peg Birmingham**, DePaul University

8:15PM Reception

**Saturday 8:30-10, March 23**

A

The meeting of Chinese Chan Buddhism with Western secular traditions / **Andre van der Braak**, VU University

The importance of comparative hermeneutics / **Chenshan Tian**, Beijing Foreign Studies University

B

The Contemporary Meaning of the Buddhist Epistemology / **Qingxiong Zhang**, Fudan University

Truth and Deception in the Lotus Sutra / **John Schroeder**, [no institution]

C

On Issues in Comparative Philosophy and Its Methods / **Genyou Wu**, Wuhan University

The Heated French Debate on Comparative Philosophy Continues: Philosophy vs. Philology / **Thorsten Botz-Bornstein**, Gulf University, Kuwait

**Saturday 10:15-11:45**

A

Sage-King or Law-Giver: Virtue Politics and Statecraft in Wisdom of Royal Glory / **Shaojin Chai**, University of Notre Dame [n/a]

The Rhythm of Silence: Etiquette and Community / **Brian Schroeder**, Rochester Institute of Technology

B

Language & Truth for Augustine and Zhuangzi: A Comparative Study / **Manlin Shen**, Peking University

“Chinese Learning as Substance (ti); Western Learning as Function (yong)”– Toward a Foucauldian Critical Ontology of the Self / **Theresa Lee**, University Of Guelph

C

The Dao in German Philosophy: Heidegger, Buber, and Misch / **Eric S. Nelson**, University of Massachusetts Lowell

Conditions and Possibilities of a Dialogue between China and the West on Ethics / **Rulun Zhang**, Fudan University

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**Saturday 1:15-2:45**

A

On “Different" Paths?: Notes of a Misguided Itinerant / **Bernard Freydberg**, Duquesne University

A Preliminary Analysis of the Difference between Chinese and Western Thoughts: from the perspective of philosophy of language in the Dao De Jing / **Qinghua Cai**, Fudan University

B

A Dialogue of World Political Order / **Liangjian Liu**, East China Normal University

Strange Bedfellows: Patriarchy, Feminism and the Silencing of Sex-Workers / **Sunita Manian**, Georgia College and State University

C

The Study of the Justice and the Freedom under the Patriarchal Culture / **Rong Peng**, Peking University

Sexual Violence and Objectification Today: A Heideggerian Historical Analysis from Aristotle through Enlightenment Political Thought / **Natalie Nenadic**, University of Kentucky

**Saturday 3-4:30**

A

On the Interpretations of “Dao” in the Laozi / **Rui Li**, Beijing Normal University

 Huanliu 環流(Circular Flowing): The Metapher of Reality /**Robin R Wang**, Loyola Marymount University

B

Human Adaptability and Formation, and Dissolution of Human Alliances in Spinoza, and Zhuangzi / **Sonya Özbey**, DePaul University

The Problem of Individuation in Early Chinese Metaphysics / **Franklin Perkins**, DePaul University

C

Toward Zen Maoism: ontology, compassion, politics / **Bill Martin**, DePaul University

The Isomorphism of Marxism and Confucianism / **Lei Huang**, Harbin Institute of Technology

**Saturday 4:45-6:15**

A

When Confucian Orthodoxy Encountered the Pope: a Contrast of Political Thoughts between Confucianism and Christianity in the late of Ming Dynasty / **Yun Huang**, Nanjing University

If China Travelled to Descartes: A Note toward Cartesian Schizophrenia or an Alternative Cartesianism Today / **Kyoo Lee**, John Jay College-The City University of New York

B

On the Structure and the Approach of Moral Justification from Xun Zi / **Kai Wang**, Beijing Normal University

The Modern Privilege of Life / **Krzysztof Ziarek**, University at Buffalo

C

Confucian Thought and China’s Crisis of Public Spirit / **Benjamin Hammer**, Shandong University

Rhetoric of the Loom: Discursive Weaving Women in Chinese and Greek Tradition / **Norman Rothschild**

8:15 Reception

**Sunday 8:30-10, March 24**

A

Painting Elementals: Surface, Depth, Light / **Michael Schwartz**, Georgia Regents University

On Sound: A Zhuangzian Perspective / **PARK So Jeong**, NTU-Singapore

B

What is Wu Ji? / **Zhiwei Sun**, Zhangzhou Normal University

Heidegger and Zen: Toward a Dialogue about Nothing / **Bret W. Davis**, Loyola University Maryland

C

Xunzi and Nietzsche on Human Nature and the Desire for Self-Cultivation / **William Day**, Le Moyne College

From the View of Body to Value: An Comparison of Christianity’s and Confucian’s Influence on Political Philosophy / **Zhao-hua Chu**, Wuhan University