Between Dialogue, Polemic and Apologetic: Modes of Inter-Religious Contact in Pre-Modern Korea Seen in the Regional Context of Far East Asia

The history of inter-religious contacts between Buddhists and Confucians during the Chosŏn period (1392-1910) commonly tends to be reduced to the progressive marginalization of Buddhism in an environment dominated by Neo-Confucian thought. And yet, more detailed scrutinies of the available religious, historical and literary sources reveal that the actual inter-religious processes were of more complex nature.

Contrasting case studies from the Chosŏn and the preceding Koryŏ periods, the papers presented in the workshop will highlight a wide range of interaction modes and attempt to identify trends in their historical development. Among the topics to be addressed will be the establishment of orthodoxy through inter-religious contact, conceptions of multiple religiosity, and forms of ritualized interaction. By relating the *Eigenlogiken* of these modes with their respective literary, political and economic contexts, the workshop aims at carving out building blocks for the development of a more abstract typology of religious contacts.

Thursday, 14 April 2011

- 16.00 h Introduction
- 16.15 h On the Nature of Conflict between Buddhism and Neo-Confucianism in the Koryŏ Henrik Hjort Soerensen (Copenhagen/Bochum)
- 17.15 h Coffee Break
- 17.30 h Subversion or Search for a Common Ground? On Kim Sisŭp's Chodong owi yohae Christian Mularzyk (Bochum)
- 18.30 h Dinner

Friday, 15 April 2011

09.00 h	Who is an Orthodox Confucian? Discussion on the Early Orthodox Confucian Lineage in Chosŏn Period <i>Vladimir Glomb</i> (Prague)
10.00 h	Coffee Break
10.15 h	Between Ideological Norms and Literary Motives: Modes and Expression of Interreligious Contact in the Writings of Yulgok, Yi I (1536–1584) Isabelle Sancho (Paris)
11.15 h	Coffee Break
11.30 h	Cultural and Social Aspects of the Relationship of a Confucian Scholar with Buddhism in 18 th Century Korea: The Case of Tasan Chŏng Yagyong (1762–1836) <i>Kim Daeyeol</i> (Paris)
12.30 h	Lunch
14.00 h	Relationship between Buddhism and Confucianism in Koryŏ Times Expressed in the Genre of «Monastery Records» (寺記類) Yannick Bruneton (Paris)
15.00 h	Final Discussion
16.00 h	End of Workshop

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Buddhist - Confucian version of '*The Diagram on the Supreme Ultimate*' of Zhou Dunyi 周敦頤 (1017-1073) with Zhu Xi's 朱熹 (1130-1200) commentary. in: Kim Sisŭp 金時習(1435-1493): Chodong owi kunsin to sŏ yohae 曹洞君臣圖序要解, p.10. in: Ch'oe Kwimuk: *Kim Sisŭp Chodongowiyohae ŭi yŏkchu yŏn'gu*, Seoul 2006, p.249.

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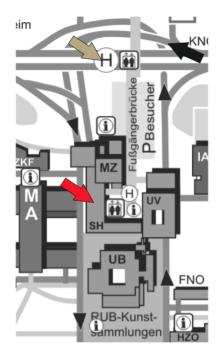
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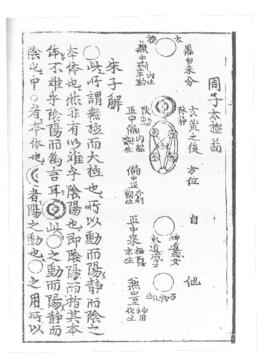
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