

Creating a Philosophy for the Future

Philosophy and Religious Studies Programme

University of Macau, November 16-18th, 2017

Arts and Humanities Building E21

Thursday, November 16 (E21 Room G035)

Session 1: Chair: Victoria Harrison (UM)

13.00-13.15 Victoria Harrison, University of Macau: 'Creating a Philosophy for the Future'

13.15-14.25 Keynote: Gwen Griffith-Dickson, King's College London and the Lokahi Foundation: 'What will equip us for the philosophy of religion of the future?'

14.30-15.05 Steven Goldman, Portland State University, USA: 'Global Philosophical Therapeutics'

15.05-15.40 Angel Ting, Hong Kong Baptist University: 'When Xunzi meets Susan Wolf: A Meaningful Life in the *Xunzi*'

15.40-16.15 Coffee Break

Session 2: Chair: Hans-Georg Moeller (UM)

16.15-16.50 Alice Simionato, Leiden University, The Netherlands: 'The "Manifesto" of 1958: A Statement to the World on Behalf of Chinese Culture'

16.50-18.00 Keynote: Robin Wang, Loyola Marymount University: 'Embodied Critical Thinking: A Daoist History of the Future'

18.00-18.45 Reception (E21 Learning Commons)

Friday, November 17 (a.m. sessions in E21 Room G016; p.m. sessions in E21 Room G035)

Session 3: Chair: Victoria Harrison (UM)

9.00-10.10 Keynote: R. A. H. King, University of Berne, Switzerland: ‘Looking backwards and forwards at Roles and Virtues’

10.10-10.45 Edmond Eh, University of Saint Joseph, Macau: ‘Thomas Aquinas and Zhu Xi as Philosophical Exemplars’

10.45-11.00 Coffee Break

Session 4: Chair: Rhett Gayle (UM)

11.00-11.35 Hagop Sarkissian, The City University of New York, Baruch College and Graduate Center: ‘The Ethics of Personal Vibes: A Case Study from the Past and a Plea for Future Research’

11.35-12.10 Christine Tan, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore: ‘Freedom Beyond Realism and Idealism: Re-visiting Guo Xiang’s Ontology of *Zide* 自得’

12.10-13.30 Lunch Break (E21 Learning Commons)

Session 5: Chair: Nevia Dolcini (UM)

13.30-14.40 Keynote: Mikel Burley, University of Leeds, UK: ‘Creating a Philosophy of Religion for the Future: Cross-Cultural, Interdisciplinary and Radically Pluralist’

14.40-15.15 Thomas D. Carroll, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen: ‘“Grasping the Difficulty in its Depth”: Wittgenstein and Globally-Engaged Philosophy’

15.15-15.30 Coffee Break

Session 6: Chair: JeeLou Liu (CSU, Fullerton)

15.30-16.05 Hannes Schumacher, Humboldt University Berlin, JNU New Delhi:

‘Affirmative *Nirvāṇa*: Transcultural encounters between Deleuze and Nāgārjuna’

16.05-16.40 Mark L. Farrugia, The Chinese University of Hong Kong: ‘From Nihilism to Buddhism? Between Nishitani Keiji and Emil Cioran’

16.40-17.15 Robert Elliott Allinson, Soka University of America: ‘Reconstructing Foundationalism’

18.30 Conference Dinner (Mirimar Restaurant, Praia Hac-Sa, Coloane). Bus departs 18.15 outside postgraduate housing.

Saturday, November 18 (E21 Room G035)

Session 7: Chair: Hans-Georg Moeller (UM)

9.00-10.10 Keynote: Geir Sigurðsson, University of Iceland: ‘From Modern Ontologies of Youthfulness to Post-Modern Gerontologies’

10.10-10.45 Benedict Chan, Hong Kong Baptist University: ‘Human Rights to Health, Ubuntu, and Confucianism’

10.45-11.00 Coffee Break

Session 8: Chair: Robin Wang (Loyola Marymount University)

11.00-11.35 Lucas Scriptor, The Chinese University of Hong Kong: ‘Moral Theory and Cross-Cultural Philosophy’

11.35-12.10 Paul D’Ambrosio, East China Normal University: ‘Ethics without Philosophy: Using Confucius as a Case Study’

12.10-13.30 Lunch Break (E21 Learning Commons)

Session 9: Chair: Geir Sigurðsson (University of Iceland)

13.30-14.40 Keynote: JeeLou Liu, California State University Fullerton, USA:

‘Confucian Robotic Ethics’

14.45-15.15 Rhett Gayle, University of Macau: ‘Writing Poetry in a Language which we do not yet Speak’

15.15-15.30 Coffee Break

Session 10: Chair: Mikel Burley (University of Leeds)

15.30-16.05 Gabriella Stanchina, Fudan University, Shanghai: ‘The multi-layered meaning of self: a comparison between Mou Zongsan and Novalis about the question of self-consciousness’

16.05-16.40 Angus McBlane, Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar, India: ‘Intertwining Phenomenology and Cārvāka/Lokāyata: Exploring the viability of Posthumanism as a Method for Global Philosophy’

16.40-17.00 Victoria Harrison, University of Macau: Concluding discussion.