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Conference/Webinar
Studies on Dharma in the Himalayan Region

Naples, 27–29th of April 2022
Venue: Università di Napoli L'Orientale
Dipartimento Asia Africa Mediterraneo
Piazza San Domenico Maggiore, Palazzo Corigliano,
Napoli
Salone delle Conferenze, secondo piano

Zoom link for online participation:

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April 27th

9:30 Florinda Simini, Domenico Francavilla, Axel Michaels: Welcome and Introduction

Panel 1: Dharma and jurisprudence in early historical sources (chair: Francavilla)

10:00 Kengo Harimoto (Università di Napoli L'Orientale): *The Concept of Dharma Appearing in Licchavi Inscriptions*

10:30 Astrid Zotter (Universität Heidelberg): *Writing Nibandhas in Late Medieval and Early Modern Nepal*

11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 Camillo Formigatti (Bodleian Library, Oxford): *Longue durée, Quantitative Codicology and the Cultural History of Medieval and Early-Modern Nepal* (online)

12:00 Fabrizia Baldissera (Università degli Studi di Firenze): *Views on Dharma in Medieval Kashmir*

12:30 Lunch

Panel 2: Dharma in the context of religion and religious communities (chair: Lubin)

14:00 Nirajan Kafle (Università di Napoli L'Orientale): *From the Śivadharmasāstra to the Umāmaheśvarasamvāda. Paradigm shifts in a Śaiva Code of Law* (online)

14:30 Florinda De Simini (Università di Napoli L'Orientale): *Reading Dharmasāstra in Early Śaiva Communities*

15:00 Coffee Break

15:30 Judit Törzsök (École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris): *Śiva's Power over Karma: Miraculous Healing thanks to Liṅga Worship in Jayadratha's Haracaritacintāmaṇi* (online)

16:00 Csaba Kiss (Università di Napoli L'Orientale): *Castes in Heaven: do the social classes (varṇas) originate in a distribution of tasks? (Vṛṣasārasaṃgraha 19.20-36)*

16:30 Eloisa Stuparich (Fondazione Giorgio Cini): *Samāj sevā as dharma: devout kingship and militant citizenship in Yogi Naraharinath's Nepal* (online)

17:00 Davide Torri (Sapienza Università di Roma): *Religious Dynamics among the Hyolmo People of Helambu (Nepal)*

19:30 Dinner at Ristorante Vitto Pitagorico, Piazza Museo Nazionale 19, Napoli

April 28th

Panel 2 (continued): Dharma in the context of religion and religious communities (chair: de Simini)

9:30 Alexander von Rospatt (University of California, Berkeley): *The treatment of murder and other offenses and transgressions in the so-called pārājikā works of the Nepalese Buddhist tradition*

10:00 Todd Lewis (College of the Holy Cross): *Dharma as Power in Buddhist Tradition*

10:30 Coffee Break

Panel 3: Dharma and the state in premodern and modern Himalaya (chair: von Rospatt)

11:00 Timothy Lubin (Washington and Lee University): *Sacred Law as a Device of State-Building from the Licchavis to Gorkhalis*

11:30 Axel Michaels (Universität Heidelberg): *Between Love and Power: The Dharma Drama of King Raṇabahādura Śāha (1775-1806)*

12:00 Rajan Khatiwoda and Manik Bajracharya (Universität Heidelberg): *Legitimizing Slavery through Brahmanical Norms: The Ain of 1854*

12:30 Lunch Break

14:00 Simon Cubelic (Universität Heidelberg): *Caste and Tribute Exaction in the Ain of 1854*

14:30 Chiara Correndo (Università degli Studi di Torino): *Women's Layered Identities and Property Rights: The Discipline of Dowry in the Ain of 1854*

15:00 Ramhari Timalisina (Universität Heidelberg): *Echoes of Dharmasāstras in the early Śāha period Savālas*

15:30 Coffee Break

16:00 Arik Moran (University of Haifa): *In the name of dharma: a Himalayan prince's response to colonial oppression, Chamba 1870-74*

16:30 Domenico Francavilla (Università degli Studi di Torino): *Child marriage in Nepal: dharmasāstra, customs and state reform*

17:00 Marie Lecomte-Tilouine (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique, Paris): *Dharma as "Good Conduct" and its Critics in Nepali Printed Works Dating from 1950-1990* (online)

20:00 Dinner at Ristorante Antonio & Antonio, via Partenope 26, Napoli

April 29th

Private meetings and excursions

N.B. It is intended to later publish the papers in the 'Series on Social and Religious Law' (Corpus Iuris Sansciticum, founded by Oscar Botto) <http://www.asiainstitutetorino.it/corpusiuris.html> in collaboration with the Research Unit [Documents on the History of Religion and Law of Premodern Nepal](#) of the Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, the [Śivadharma Project](#) at the University of Naples "L'Orientale", and the Institute of Asian Studies (ISA) at the University of Torino.