

Mastery, Ownership, Divinity: Self and Power in Transregional and Transtemporal Perspectives

Organized by Milinda Banerjee as Part of the Event Series 'Global Intellectual History
as Political and Ethical Critique'

Day One
10.30-11.00

Agendas at Stake: Preliminary Considerations
Milinda Banerjee, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich
Ilya Afanasyev, University of Birmingham

Panel 1
Birth of the State: Origin Narratives

11.00-11.30

Robert Yelle, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich
Father-Right: An Inquiry into the Connections among Patriarchy, Property, and
Religion

11.30-12.00

Michael Kinadeter, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich
Shaping Identity, Constructing Power?
Ancient Japan on her Quest for the Construction of Political Power

12.00-12.15

Break

12.15-12.45

Devin Singh, Dartmouth College
Sacred Obligations: Debt Slavery and the Patterns of Sovereignty

12.45-13.15

Questions

13.15-14.15

Lunch Break

Panel 2
Sovereignty, Property, Democracy: Political and Economic Theologies in Early
Modern and Modern India (I)

14.15-14.45
Tanuja Kothiyal, Ambedkar University Delhi
Sovereignty, Authority and Control in the Borderlands: Religious Shrines and
Networks in the Thar Desert (c 1400-1800)

14.45-15.15
Aditi Saraf, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich
Hifazat - Law, Land and Security in Kashmir

15.15-15.30
Break

15.30-16.00
Milinda Banerjee, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich
Divine Subalterns and Sovereign Labour:
A Manifesto for Revolutionary Being and Action

16.00-16.30
Questions

16.30-16.45
Break

Panel 3
Animals, Humans, and Social Theory: From the Indo- Europeans to Modernity

16.45-17.15
Kresimir Vukovic, British School of Rome
Warriors, Priests, and Cattle in some Indo-European Myths

17.15-17.45
Annabel Brett, University of Cambridge
From the Image of God to Commercial Society: The Use of Animals in the
Western Natural Law Tradition, 17th and 18th Centuries.

17.45-18.15
Questions

Day Two

Panel 4

Political and Economic Theologies in Early Modern and Modern India (II)

10.00-10.30

Ananya Vajpeyi, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies
Śūdra: A History

10.30-11.00

Anastasia Piliavsky, University of Cambridge
Tba

11.00-11.15

Break

11.15-11.45

Bhri Gupta Singh, Brown University
Psychic Sovereignty – Perspectives from Mental Illness and the World of Spirits

11.45-12.15

Questions

12.15-12.30

Break

Panel 5

Sacred Body Parts, Tributes, and Medieval Subjectivities

12.30-13.00

Simon Yarrow, University of Birmingham
Material Religion or Religious Materialism? Money, Relics and Christian
Agonism in Twelfth-Century Latin Christendom

13.00-13.30

Jules Gleeson, Universität Wien and FOVOG, Tü Dresden
Athanasios of Athos and Normative Shaming Practices at his Great
Lavra: 'Moderating' Ascetic Hierarchy, Monks as Limbs & Submission as
Activity

13.30-14.30

Lunch Break

14.30-15.00

Lorenzo Bondioli, Princeton University
Tributary State and Islamic Justice in Fatimid Political Theology

15.00-15.30

Questions

15.30-15.45

Panel 6

The Sacred and the State: (Anti-) Slavery, Surveillance, and Modern Political Economies

15.45-16.15

Ceyda Karamursel, University of London
Person-things of the Reform-era Ottoman Empire

16.15-16.45

Magnus Fiskesjö, Cornell University
Sovereignty and Self in the Era of Total Surveillance: The Political Theology of China's "Orwell 2.0"

16.45-17.15

Questions

17.15-17.30

Break

17.30-18.30

Roundtable