

15th WORLD SANSKRIT CONFERENCE
5th to 10th January, 2012
(will be jointly organized by IASS & RSks)

16th January, 2010

FIRST CIRCULAR
(General Information)

As agreed by the International Association of Sanskrit Studies (IASS) at its 14th World Sanskrit Conference held in Kyoto (Japan), in 2009, the 15th World Sanskrit Conference will be held at Delhi (India) from the 5th to 10th January 2012. The conference will be hosted jointly by the IASS and the RSKS [Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (Deemed to be University under Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India), New Delhi.)

Mode of operation at the 15th World Sanskrit Conference

The 15th World Sanskrit Conference will operate in 18 thematic sections (with six sessions running concurrently) chaired by the conveners specializing in their respective fields. The conveners will determine the profile to their sections and select the papers for presentation. During the conference, they may personally preside as chairpersons over the meetings of their sections and/or nominate additional chairpersons, if necessary, for this purpose.

The conveners of each section can partly modify the title of their section to highlight the theme of a specific panel. To preserve high scholarly standards at the conference, they may pre-select a limited number of speakers in their section.

Scholars wishing to present a paper should send the title and abstract of their paper to the secretariat in New Delhi. Papers will be forwarded to the relevant conveners who will review and make the final selection. All conveners will be expected to act as editors of the papers presented in the sections when the volumes of conference proceedings are prepared.

The conveners will operate in close collaboration and consultation with the secretariat of the conference. As the secretariat is responsible for practical arrangements, scholars wishing to participate in the conference are requested to contact the secretariat and not the conveners in order to maintain uniformity in handling.

Sections and conveners

The following are the 18 sections and names of the conveners are mentioned against each section: Individual speakers and the titles of their papers will be announced on the web page of the conference and in the succeeding circulars as may be convenient.

- 1. Veda**
 1. Hans Henrich Hock
 2. G.C. Tripathi
 3. Sannidhanam Sudarshan Sharma
 4. Shrikant Bahulkar
- 2. Linguistics**
 1. Pierre Sylvain Filliozat
 2. Jan E.M. Houben
 3. S.P. Narang
 4. Shriniruddha Dash
- 3. Epics & Puranas**
 1. Adam Bowles
 2. Simon Brodbeck
 3. Alf Hiltebeitel
 4. Rajendra Nanavati
- 4. Agama & Tantra**
 1. Navjeevan Rastogi
 2. Diwakar Acharya
 3. Kamlesh Datta Tripathi
- 5. Vyakarana**
 1. George Cardona
 2. Madhav M. Deshpande
 3. Saroja Bhate
 4. Dipti Tripathi
- 6. Poetry, Drama & Aesthetics**
 1. Rama Ranjan Mukherji
 2. Natalia Lidova
 3. C. Rajendran
- 7. Sanskrit and Regional Languages & Literatures**
 1. Prof. Yigal Bronner
 - 2 Robert J. Zydenbos
 3. Konrad Meisig
 4. Pankaj Chande

8. **Scientific Literature**
 1. Gy. Wojtila
 2. P.C. Murlimadhavan
 3. K. Ram Subrahmanian

9. **Buddhist Studies**
 1. Richard Gombrich
 2. Shohei Ichimura
 3. Geshe Ngawang Samten
 4. Chirapat Prapandavidya

10. **Jain Studies**
 1. Paul Dundas
 2. Peter Flügel
 3. Jayendra Soni
 4. J.B. Shah

11. **Philosophy**
 1. Arindam Chakrabarti
 2. Oscar Pujol
 3. Kamleswar Bhattacharya
 4. G. Mishra

12. **History of Religion**
 1. Vachaspati Upadhyaya
 2. Bettina Bäumer

13. **Ritual Studies**
 1. T.S. Rukmani
 2. Yugal Kishor Mishra

14. **History, Epigraphy and Art History**
 1. Michael Hahn
 2. K.K.Chakrabarti
 3. Anupa Pandey

15. **Sanskrit in Technological World**
 1. Ramkrishnamacharyulu
 2. Miquel Peralta
 3. Navjyoti Singh

16. **Modern Sanskrit Writings**
 1. Jürgen Hanneder
 3. Ramkaran Sharma
 3. Mans Broo
 4. Ramakant Shukla

17. Pundit Parishad

1. Prahladacharya

18. Sanskrit Kavi Samavaya

1. 'Abhiraj' Rajendra Mishra

Papers

The time allowed for each paper is limited to 30 minutes including discussion. Papers offered without special invitation will be selected based on one-page abstract submitted in about 300-400 words typed in Times New Roman font in size-12 in A-4 size paper in double space. Abstracts should be submitted preferably in electronic form along with Unicode compatible Devanagari font if any used.

IMPORTANT DATES

S.No.	Details	Dates
1	First Circular	16 th January 2010
2	Submission of Abstract for those who need early decision on acceptance	30 th June 2010
3	Submission of abstract by others (normal category and invited speakers)	31 st December 2010
4	Information about acceptance/rejection of paper those who require earlier decision on acceptance	30 th April 2011
5	Information about acceptance/rejection of paper by others	31 st July 2011
6	Second Circular	31 st July 2011
7	Third Circular	1 st November 2011

CONFERENCE FEE & REGISTRATION FORM

S.No.	Category	Before 30-09-2011	After 30-09-2011
1	Non-members of IASS	Rs.5000/-	Rs.5500/-
2	Members of IASS	Rs.2000/-	Rs.2500/-
3	Bonafide Students	Rs.1500/-	Rs.2000/-

In case of voluntary cancellation or cancellation by the conference authorities Rs.500/- will be deducted. Mode of payment of fee and Banking details will be given in the second circular. The registration form and a sheet for abstract will be available on the website of the conference office in the near future.

Conference venue

The conference will be held in New Delhi. The detailed information about the accommodation will be announced in the second circular. Alternatively, participants can make their own arrangements for hotel accommodation and inform the conference secretariat.

Information concerning the conference will be available on the official website of RSKS at www.sanskrit.nic.in. The second and third circulars will be sent to those who have returned a completed pre-registration form.

Delegates coming with their partners or any assistant will have to pay the reception and hotel charges for the accompanying person.

Organising committee

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Pre-registration form

(Please fill in and return this form by July 2011)
(This form is also available on the conference website)

Surname

First name

Designation

Address for communication

e-mail ID

I would like to present a paper in section no

Have you decided your title of the Paper, if so details

Date

Signature

I prefer to have further circulars

- On paper (by post)
- Through e-mail
- In both formats
- Do not send the circulars; I will consult your website.

Other requirements/comments:

I will be accompanied by _____ and I will make payment of her/his registration fee and hotel charges.

- Please answer “Yes” or “No”-

Are you a vegetarian?

Are you a self-cooking (Svayampakin)

Do you have any special requirement? If yes, furnish details:

Please return to –

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