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**PILGRIMAGE AND SANCTUARIES:
AMBIGUITY IN CONTEXT**

Centro Incontri Umani - Ascona [Switzerland]

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Convenors :

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FRIDAY 12th NOVEMBER

9:30 Opening: **Angela Hobart** (London University Goldsmith College and UCL / director of the Centro Incontri Umani)

9:45 **Introduction to the programme**

Pedram Khosronejad (Department of Social Anthropology, University of St Andrews, Scotland)

Thierry Zarcone (CNRS GSRL, Paris)

Session I: Ambiguous sanctuaries and pilgrimages in the Mediterranean

Chair: **Tadeusz Skorupski** (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, UK)

10:00 **Diogini Albera** (CNRS - Aix-en-Provence, France)
Ambiguous sanctuaries in the Mediterranean

10:35 **Yasushi Tonaga** (Kyoto University, Japan)
Sanctity, pilgrimages and ambiguity in Islam

11:10 Morning Coffee

11:40 **Pierre-Jean Luizard** (GSRL, CNRS/EPHE, Paris)
Pharaonic reminiscences in Muslim saints pilgrimages in today's Egypt: the case of two major mûled

12:15 Speakers's panel - Questions and discussion

13:00 Lunch Break

Session 2: Multi-faceted heritage pilgrimages and sanctuaries in Indo-Persian world

Chair: **Diogini Albera** (CNRS - Aix-en-Provence, France)

15:00 **Pedram Khosronejad** (Department of Social Anthropology, University of St Andrews, Scotland)
Battlefield pilgrimage in Iran: ambiguity of sacredness

15:35 **Jürgen Wasim Frembgen** (Staaliches Museum für Völkerkunde, München, Germany)
Betwixt and between: figures of ambiguity in the Sufi cult of Lal Sahbaz Qalandar in Pakistan

16:10 Afternoon Tea

16:40 **Thierry Zarcone** (GSRL, CNRS/EPHE, Paris)
Syncretism and superimposition of Islam on Buddhism in the Pamir: mountain cult and saint veneration

17:15 - 18:00 Speakers's panel - Questions and discussion

SATURDAY 13th NOVEMBER

Session 3: Shared and/or disputed pilgrimages and sanctuaries in China

Chair: **Yasushi Tonaga** (Kyoto University, Japan)

9:30 **Tadeusz Skorupski** (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, UK)

The Buddhist pilgrimages sites: understanding and resolving ambiguities

10:05 **Isabelle Charleux** (GSRL, CNRS/EPHE, Paris)

Chinese, Tibetan and Mongol Buddhists on Mount Wutai (China) from the eighteenth to the early twentieth century

10:40 Morning Coffee

11:00 **Eloisa Concetti** (Durham University, UK)

Saint cult among Hui Muslims in Popular Republic of China

11:35 - 12:10 Speakers's panel - Questions and discussion

13:00 Lunch Break

Session 4: Ambiguous pilgrimages in the Christian world

Chair: **Jürgen Wasim Frembgen** (Staaliches Museum für Völkerkunde, München, Germany)

15:00 **Manoël Pénicaud** (IDEMEC, University of Aix-en-Provence, France)

The Seven Sleepers pilgrimage in Brittany. Ambiguity of a Christian-Muslim « heterotopia

15:35 **Claudia Liebelt** (University of Bayreuth, Germany)

On Filipina domestic workers in the 'Holy Land', pilgrimages for a cause and sanctuaries as ambiguous zones of Contact

16:10 Afternoon Tea

16:40 **Angela Hobart** (London University Goldsmith College and UCL / director of the Centro Incontri Umani)

Monte Verita in Ascona. A pilgrimage site of paradoxes and contradictions

17:15 Speakers's panel - Questions and discussion

18:00 General discussion and conclusion

All are welcome

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