

Nouvelles perspectives sur l'histoire du bouddhisme chinois, 1900-2012
New Perspectives on the History of Chinese Buddhism: 1900-2012



Journée d'études/Workshop, 29 novembre/November 2012
GSRL, 59-61, rue Pouchet, 75017 Paris

Since the end of the 19th century, in the context of rapid modernisation, Chinese Buddhism has experienced a series of previously unseen evolutions. After persecution under Mao's rule and a revival during the last decades of the 20th century, this religion has profoundly mutated during the new century due to both changes in politics, economy, and culture in China, and developments of international migrations and communication technologies on the global level. An examination of such mutation from different perspectives is necessary before any comprehensive attempt to map the complex and multiple realities of this history as a whole is possible. In the international research program "Buddhism after Mao" sponsored by la Ville de Paris, the GSRL Institute is planning to hold a workshop in Paris on November 29, 2012. It aims at showcasing new approaches to the study of Chinese Buddhism in modern and contemporary China, and discussing new textual & fieldwork materials, methodologies, and analyses.

Programme/Program

Matin/Morning:

9h30-9h45: Introduction/Introductory remarks: Ji Zhe (Inalco)

9h45-10h30

Vincent Goossaert (EPHE): “Buddhists & other ritual specialists in modern Jiangnan local religion”

10h30-10h45: Pause/Coffee break

10h45-11h30

Daniela Campo (GSRL): “The religious engagement of Shanghai modernizing elites in the Republican era: a case study”

11h30-12h15

Gregory Scott (Columbia U): “Networks of Content and Collaboration in Early Chinese Buddhist Periodicals, 1912–1918”

Discutant/Discussant: Sébastien Billioud (Université Paris VII)

12h30-14h: Déjeuner/Lunch

Après-midi/Afternoon:

14h-14h45

Ester Bianchi (Perugia U): “A religion-oriented ‘Tibet fever’: Tibetan Buddhist practices among the Han Chinese in contemporary PRC”

14h45-15h30

Esther-Maria Guggenmos (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg): “Monastics Divining Good and Evil Karma: A “Revival” of Divinatory Practices in Contemporary Chinese Buddhism?”

15h30-15h45: Pause/Coffee break

15h45-16h30

Ji Zhe (Inalco): “Opening the multifolded history: towards a prosopography of Buddhist modern saints”

16h30-17h15

Claire Vidal (Paris Ouest U): “Revival, reinvention, modernization. Chinese Buddhism since 1900: How to describe? What change?” [Workshops report: “Buddhists and Buddhism in the History of Twentieth Century China” (Hong-Kong, May 30-31, 2012) and “Study on Buddhism in Contemporary China: Fields, Methods, and Sources” (Xiamen, July 15, 2012).]

Discutante/Discussant: Florence Galmiche (Ruhr-Universität Bochum)

17h15-18h: General discussion

Langue/Language: English and Chinese; possibly French (but with a detailed PPT/handout in either English or Chinese)