

TAMIL STUDIES NETWORK WORKSHOP 2015

Constructing Resources in Tamil Contexts”

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**Held at the University of Tübingen
Keplerstrasse 2, Room 110 (first floor)
June 26-27, 2015**

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Day 1: Friday, June 26th 2015

Welcome, self-introductions, lunch: 11:30-13:00

Panel 1 (13:00-14:45) Language/Linguistic

1. Eva Wilden

University of Hamburg/EFEO

NETamil: Resources for the Study of the Tamil Literary Tradition

2. Jean Luc Chevillard

Paris, CNRS

*Towards an inventory of European archival resources for the study of “Musical Tamil”
(இசுதைத் தமழி) and some of its roots*

3. Christina Muru

Linguistic diversity as a tangible resource for the Tamil culture: the case of the Paniyans in Southern India

Panel 2 (15:00-16:10) Media

4. Roos Gerritsen

University of Heidelberg

Familial relations, public images: how celebrities engender intimacy in the lives of Tamil film fans

5. Rick Weiss

University of Heidelberg

The Emergence of Print as a Medium of Religious Authority in Tamil South India”

Panel 3 (16.25-17:35) Rituals, Communal activities

6. Jerome Mariadhasan,

University of Münster

Christian Sri Lankian diaspora and their identity in Germany: The Christmas festival

7. Stephanie Stocker

University of Tübingen

Caste and anti-hierarchy among Tamil youth: Peer groups as a means to circumvent social barriers

Dinner 19.00 in Tübingen
Place to be announced

Day 2: Saturday, June 27th 2015

Panel 4: 9:00-12.15 Body and Health

8. Thamburan Dharmaraj
Kamaraj University Maduari
Paddy as master signifier: Cultural poetics of Sangam age

9. Harish Naraindas
JNU Delhi
Of Shastric Yogams and Polyherbals: Exogenous Logics and the Creolisation of the Contemporary Ayurvedic Formulary

10. Roman Sieler
University of Heidelberg
Safe and effective? Networks of siddha pharmaceuticals

11. Heribert Beckmann
University of Tübingen
The body, rice-consumption, and the perception of the green revolution

12. Justus Weiss
University of Tübingen
Teaming up with Dengue: Transforming Siddha Medicine into an Emergency Medicine in the (Political) Context of Public Health

Commentators:

13. Michael Bergunder, 14. Rafael Klöber, 15. Torsten Tschacher, 16. Deepra Dandekar,
17. Giovanni Ciotti, 18. Johanna Weirich, 19. Victor D'Avella, 20. Gabriele Alex.

Roundtable discussion (planning future of network): 12:15-13.00

Goodbyes