

Report – FISP Committee on Intercultural Relations – March 2014

Membership: The Committee has renewed and added to its membership at the 2013 World Congress.

Activities:

The Committee has completed a collection of essays on the theme ‘What is Intercultural Philosophy?’ The volume will be published at the end of 2014 / beginning of 2015, through the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy.

The contributors are:

Introduction: The Project of Intercultural Philosophy
William Sweet

Chapter I. What in the World is Intercultural Philosophy? A Reflection
John Ozolins

Chapter II. Beyond the cultural turn: Intercultural philosophy in its historical context
Wolfgang Kaltenbacher

Chapter III. Interculturality: Some Philosophical Musings
Edwin George

Chapter IV. What is intercultural philosophy?
Hsueh-i Chen

Chapter V. Taking diversity seriously: On the notion of intercultural philosophy
Flavia Monceri

Chapter VI. Intercultural Philosophy and the Question of African Identity: An ‘Afroconstructivist’ Perspective
Joseph C. A. Agbakoba

Chapter VII. Interculturality in the Context of Africa’s Colonial and Decolonization Experience
Dorothy Nwanyinma Ucheaga Olu-Jacob

Chapter VIII. Economic Global Justice Defined Inter-Culturally:
Alternatives that Emerge from the Neo-Colonial Cusp
Helen Lauer

Chapter IX. Towards a Conception of Philosophy as Expression: Approaching Intercultural Philosophy from a Zen Buddhist paradigm
Gereon Kopf

Chapter X. Four Dimensions of Intercultural Philosophy
Yao Jiehou

Chapter XI. *Comparative Philosophy or Intercultural Philosophy? The case of the Russian Buddhologist Theodor Stcherbatsky*

Viktoria Lysenko

Afterword. The Prospect of Intercultural Philosophy
William Sweet

Other Activities:

1. The Committee participated in a conference in Taipei in December 2013 on the theme of “Religion, Care of Self, and Humanism.” The Chair of the Committee also participated in workshop/seminars in Bhopal (India) in February 2014 at the Second International Conference on Dharma-Dhamma, Centre for Study of Religion and Society (CSRS), Sanchi University of Buddhist-Indic Studies, and in Chenna, at the University of Madras.

The Committee chair intends to participated [and, as of the date of the formal written submission of this report note, did participate] in workshops/seminars Shanghai in December 2014 on the themes of “Metaphysics: Past, Present, and Future” (East China Normal University) and “Philosophy and Life World” (Shanghai Academy of the Social Sciences).

2. The Committee has, and will continue to co-sponsor some of the conferences of the ‘Council on Research and Values in Philosophy’ which bear on this theme or which bring together philosophers of different cultural traditions – a matter approved several years ago by the CD.

William Sweet, Chair