# Religious Diversity & the History of Religions

# May 22-23, 2014

Confucius Institute at the University of Geneva 266 route de Lausanne Chambésy

### WORKSHOP

Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> | 9h15-17h Registration: ic@unige.ch

## PUBLIC LECTURES

Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> | 15h00-18h

Yang Huilin (Renmin University)
Mutual Interpretation/Understanding
in a Diverse Context

James Robson (Harvard University)
Daoism: Lost and Found

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Specialists of both Chinese and Western religions will reassess the impact, over time, of Western ideas of religion in China and of the Western reception of Chinese religions and culture.

**9h15-9h30** ZHAO XIURONG (Confucius Institute of the University of Geneva)

Welcoming speech

**9h30-10h** PHILIPPE BORGEAUD (University of Geneva)

Some reflections on Comparison, Contact and Connection

**10h-10h30** MATTHIEU BERNHARDT (University of Geneva)

Cultural accommodation, textual accommodation: Matteo Ricci's mission

and its representation(s) in 17th century's Jesuit historiography

10h30-11h Coffee break

**11h-11h30** DANIEL BARBU (University of Geneva and University of Bern)

Thinking about the 'other': religious taxonomies and the study of religion

in early modernity

**11h30-12h** VINCENT GOOSSAERT (EPHE and CNRS, Paris)

Historians and Anthropologists rethink religious diversity in China

12h-14h Lunch break

**14h-14h30** JAMES ROBSON (Harvard University)

Iconophilia and Iconophobia: On the Attraction and Repulsion of

Chinese Religious Images

14h30-15h AURÉLIE NÉVOT (CNRS, Paris)

From Superstition (mixin 迷信) to Primitive Religion (yuanshi zongjiao 原始宗教).

Processes of transformation of Masters of Psalmody (bimos)

15h-15h30 YANG QINGZHONG (Renmin University, Beijing)

Beyond the diversity of religion: From Chinese philosophical perspective

**15h30-16h** Coffee break

**16h-17h** General discussion

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