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THURSDAY, 18th of September

9.00 – 9.45 Registration

9.45 – 10.00 Welcome speech

Panel Dialogue and Interplay of Religions I

	Keynote speech	
10.00-10.45	CAO Nanlai (Renmin University, China)	From China with Faith: The Rise of Transnational Chinese Christian Business Networks in Europe
10.45-11.00	Discussion	
11.00-11.20	Coffee break	
	Presentations	
11.20-11.40	DE GRUTTOLA Raissa (Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy)	The First Catholic Bible in Chinese: Gabriele Allegra and His Translation
11.40-12.00	DULSKIS Romualdas (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	Christianity <i>versus</i> Confucianism and Daoism: Between Inconsistency and Complementariness
12.00-12.20	LUKAŠEVIČIUS Artūras (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	Declaration <i>Dominus Iesus</i> : Catholic Church Encounters Religious Relativism in Asia
12.20-12.40	HAIJIMA Agnese (University of Latvia)	The Role of Christian Faith in European Explorations of Asia: Early Portuguese and Spanish Missionaries in Japan, with Focus on St. Francis Xavier (1506-1552)
12.40-13.00	Discussions	

13.00-15.00 Lunch break

Panel Dialogue and Interplay of Religions II

	Presentations	
15.00-15.20	BELINA-BRZOZOWSKI Jakub (Jagiellonian University, Poland)	Finding a Common Ground. Two Examples of Buddhist-Christian Interfaith Dialogue
15.20-15.40	PENNOCK Indre (Vilnius University, Lithuania)	The Practice of Zen Buddhism in Post-soviet Lithuania
15.40-16.00	STASULANE Anita (Daugavpils University, Latvia)	Youth Converted: From Christianity to Buddhism
16.00-16.20	MOND-KOZLOWSKA Wiesna (Polish Society of Anthropology of Dance, Poland and United Kingdom)	The Art and the Sacred, West versus East. Searching for the lost unity.
16.20-16.40	Discussion	

FRIDAY, 19th of September

Panel Images and imagination, Encounters and Confrontations

	Keynote speech	
10.00-10.45	WEI Bai-ku (National Chengchi University, Taiwan)	Cultural Encounters and Relations between Taiwan and Russia
10.45-11.00	Discussion	
11.00-11.20	Coffee break	
	Presentations	
11.20-11.40	ANDRIJAUSKAS Konstantinas (Vilnius University, Lithuania)	Dealing with Ideological and Historical Burden: Relations between the Government and Christian Communities in Post-Maoist China
11.40-12.00	RAZUMAITĖ Justina (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	Freedom of Religion in China as a Collective and Individual Right
12.00-12.20	ZYKAS Aurelijus (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	Changes of Japan's Public Diplomacy after 2009
12.20-12.40	Discussion	

12.40-14.30 Lunch break

Panel Dialogue and Interplay of Cultures

	Keynote speech	
14.30-15.00	BUDRIŪNAITĖ Agnė (Vytautas Magnus	Religiousness as Grounds for Authentic Joy:

	University, Lithuania)	Kierkegaard and Zhuangzi
15.00-15.10	Discussion	
	Presentations	
15.10-15.30	PRANSKEVIČIŪTĖ Rasa (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	The Concepts of “Spirituality” among Nature-based Worldviews in the Post-Soviet Region: Vocabulary of Vissarionites and Anastasians
15.30-15.50	LAUDERE Marika (Daugavpils University, Latvia)	When West Meets East: Adaptation of Zen Buddhism in the Baltic States
15.50-16.10	NUNOKAWA Yumiko (Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania)	The Influence of Japanese woodblock prints ukiyo-e on Čiurlionis’ paintings
16.10-16.30	Discussion	

SATURDAY, 20th of September

Panel Reception of Asian Traditions in Lithuania (in Lithuanian)

	Presentations	
10.00-10.20	ALEKSANDRAVIČIUS Povilas (Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania)	Aquinian Experience of <i>actus essendi</i> and <i>satori</i> of Zen Buddhism: Are Interconnections Possible? / Tomistiškojo <i>actus essendi</i> patirtis ir dzenbudizmo <i>satori</i> : ar įmanoma sąsaja?
10.20-10.40	SKINKAITIS Rimas (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	The Person of Jesus in Hinduism, Buddhism and Christian Theology of Asia / Jėzaus asmuo induizme, budizme ir krikščioniškojoje Azijos teologijoje
10.40-11.00	GUDAITYTĖ Bronė (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	Martin Buber’s “between” and Shinichi Hisamatsu “Nothingness” as References to the over-human Experience / Martino Buberio "tarp" ir Shinichi Hisamatsu "niekio" kategorijos kaip nuorodos viršžmogiško patyrimo link
11.00-11.10	Discussion	
11.10-11.20	Coffee break	
11.20-11.40	RUDŽIANSKAITĖ Ieva (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	The Synthesis of Intellectuality and Spirituality in Swami Vivekananda’s Philosophy of Oneness // Intelektualumo ir dvasingumo sintezė Swamio Vivekanandos Vienio filosofijoje
11.40-12.00	ADVILONIENĖ Živilė (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	The Reflections of Oriental Traditions in the Public Religious Discourse of Lithuania / Rytų tradicijų atspindžiai Lietuvos viešajame religiniame diskurse
12.00-12.20	DUSEVIČIUS Vidas (Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania)	<i>Ex oriente Lux</i> in the P.A. Florenski’s Interpretation of Orthodox Christianity / <i>Ex oriente lux</i> P.A. Florenskio stačiatikybės interpretacijoje