



FROM 04 NOVEMBER TO 16 NOVEMBER 2024

**PATRICE LUMUMBA PEOPLES' FRIENDSHIP UNIVERSITY OF
RUSSIA, SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY
"PURUSHOTTAMA CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF INDIAN
PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE"
HOLDS THE ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE
IN MEMORY OF V.S. SEMENTSOV**

**"PHILOSOPHICAL SANSKRIT TEXTS: PROBLEMS OF READING
AND INTERPRETATION".**

The Third Annual International Conference in Memory of Vsevolod Sergeyevich Sementsov "Philosophical Sanskrit Texts: Problems of Reading and Interpretation" will be held on 04-16 November 2024. The Conference Organizing Committee is pleased to invite Indian and Russian scholars as well as colleagues from other countries to present the results of their research in classical Indian philosophy and related fields (Sanskrit Studies and literary studies).

The aim of the conference is to bring together specialists working in different but adjacent areas of research of Indian intellectual traditions, to establish a continual online and offline platform for the exchange of scholarly results and ideas, and to envisage new research directions in this domain. Thus, participation in the conference may be of interest and fruitful for philosophers, historians of philosophy, literary historians, specialists in cultural and religious studies.

The conference is dedicated to the memory of the outstanding Russian Indologist Vsevolod Sergeyevich Sementsov (02.07.1941 - 12.01.1986) who was the most outstanding Russian specialist of his generation in the field of research of classical Indian philosophy.

For those who read in Russian, Sementsov is re-known as the author of an unrivalled poetic translation from Sanskrit of the the Bhagavadītā. His study of this classical text remains amazing in its relevance, deep thinking, talented an penetrative description of the most important content of the poem.

The results of the conference will be summarized in the form of an electronic and printed edition of the Proceedings of the conference. Invitations to present papers for publication will be sent to the authors after the conference. The printed and electronic edition of the materials of the second conference (Pune, November 2023) will be published in March ३३३ this year.

The main directions of the conference are:

- Sanskrit philosophical texts: problems of reading and interpretation.
- Classical Indian philosophy: terminological analysis of basic philosophical terms on the examples of Yoga, Sāṅkhya, Vedānta, Mīmāṃsā, Nyāya, Vaiśeṣika, Buddhist schools, Jainism.
- Methodology of (comparative) study of highly developed non-European intellectual traditions.
- Facets of the role of Sanskrit in the Indian cultural history.

Submissions are also being accepted For the following topics:

- Classical Indian Philosophy
- Sanskritology
- Buddhist studies
- Indian literature studies
- Research methodology and history of indology
- Reception of Indian culture in Russia and the West

Within the framework of the conference will be held:

- Open lectures on Buddhist philosophical and yogic traditions.
- Seminar: " Commentary techniques in the traditional Indian Scholarship. A hypertextual approach".
- Analytical and interpretative reading of difficult Sanskrit texts.

The official working languages of the conference are English and Russian. Sanskrit is also welcome.

Conference is in a mixed format including face-to-face and online platform ZOOM.

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