

# Académie de la Latinité



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**HUMANITY AND DIFFERENCE IN THE GLOBAL AGE**

**Beijing, China**

**May 23 - 25, 2012**

**In cooperation with Tsinghua University**

**Venue: Wenjin Hotel**

**Wednesday, May 23**

**9:30 am: Opening Ceremony**

- Jorge Sampaio – United Nations High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations (video)
- Federico Mayor – President of the Academy of Latinity (video)
- Xie Weihe – Vice President for the Humanities and Social Sciences / Tsinghua University
- Candido Mendes – Secretary-General of the Academy of Latinity

**10:10 Interval**

**10:30 am – First Session: *Occidentalism and Post-Occidentalism***

- Wang Ning – *Cultural Translation and Multicentric Modernities*
- Walter D. Mignolo – *The Role of BRICS Countries in the Becoming World Order: “Humanity,” Colonial/Imperial Differences, and the Racial Distribution of Capital and Knowledge*
- Helena Barroco – *The UN Alliance of Civilizations’ perspective in our age of diversity*

**02:30 pm – Second Session: *Technology and World Civilization***

- Gianni Vattimo – *The Question Concerning Technology Today*
- Lydia H. Liu – *The Freudian Robot: Rethinking the Human and the Machine*
- He Xirong – *A Contemporary Significance on Chinese Traditional Mode of Thinking*
- Jianying Chen – *East and West after the Linguistic Turn* (TBC)

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**Thursday, May 24**

## **9:00 am – Third Session: *Reinventions and Interactions***

- Candido Mendes – *A Humanism for our Time*
- Tong Shijun – *A Whole New Hope: A Discussion 90 Years after Bertrand Russell's The Problem of China*
- Daniel Innerarity – *Politics after Indignation*
- Santiago Zabala – *The Only Emergency is the Lack of Events*

## **02:30 pm – Fourth Session: *Spaces of Difference***

- François L'Yvonnet – *The European "Self-Closure"*
- Jérôme Bindé – *Identity and Difference Beyond Fundamentalism and Globalization*
- Maria Isabel Mendes de Almeida. *Contemporary Creativity and the Redesigning of the Relationship between Author and Work: the exhaustion of the creative outburst*
- Yang Huilin – *The Verbal Logic of Identity*

## **05:00 pm – Fifth Session: *Spaces of Difference – Part II***

- Susan Buck-Morss – *Seeing Global*
- Si Han - *Meeting of Cultures in Images and Art*
- Mario Lúcio Souza – *Creole Humanism in Africa*

**Friday, May 25**

## **9:00 am – Sixth Session: *Mapping the Global Age – Part I***

- Enrique Larreta – *The Present Point in History: Reflections on a Transitional Age.*
- Renato Janine Ribeiro – *Brazil and the Emergence of the South*
- Gilbert Hottois – *Science and Technology: from Modern to Post-Modern Representations*
- Javier Sanjinés – *Mariátegui and the Andean Revolutionarism*

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## 02:30 pm – Seventh Session: *Mapping the Global Age – Part 2*

- Zhang Longxi – *Lessons from Mont Lu: China and Cross-Cultural Understanding*
- Gerardo Caetano. “Small” Countries and “Large” Countries: the case of Uruguay in Mercosur and Unasur
- Samuel Pinheiro Guimarães – *The South and the World*
- Yang Guorong. *Virtue in Human Practice: A Comparative Perspective*

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