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Dear list members,

Please find below the program of the conference on "Gender Asymmetry in the Different Buddhist Traditions Through the Prism of Nuns’ Ordination and Education”, kindly funded by the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation of International Scholarly Exchange (May 16-17, 2022). The conference will be held in Perugia (Italy), and can be followed on-line on Microsoft Teams (http://shorturl.at/fgBEI).

Our best wishes,

Ester Bianchi and Nicola Schneider

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Day 1: 16 May 2022

9:00: Greetings and Introduction

Section 1: Educational Patterns for Buddhists Nuns

Chair: Ann Heirman

9:15: Yu-chen Li, Taiwanese Nuns and Education Issues in the Contemporary Era [online]

10:00: Nicola Schneider, A Revolution in Red Robes: Tibetan Nuns obtaining the Doctoral Degree in Buddhist Studies (geshema)
11:00: Daniela Campo, Nuns’ Education at Dajinshan Chan Monastery in Jiangxi province (PRC)

11:45: Eun-su Cho, Female Monastic Society in Korea - Between Tradition and the Desire for Change

12:30: Discussion

Section 2: The Issue of Ordination and Rules for Buddhist Nuns

Chair: Adeline Herrou

14:00: Darcie Price-Wallace, The Fragility of Restoring Full Ordination for Tibetan Tsunmas (Nuns)

14:45: Ester Bianchi & Amandine Péronnet, Assessing the Emergence and Impact of Nuns Dual Ordination in New Era China

15:30: Bhikkhunī Dhammadinnā, Revived Theravāda bhikkhunīs and the bhikkhusaṅgha: institutional asymmetries, legal and existential dissonances

16:30: Martin Seeger, Female Renunciation and the Historical Absence of the Theravada Bhikkhunī Order in Thailand: The Interrelationships Between Male and Female Monastics and the Creation of New Vinaya Rules

17:15: Anthony Scott, Opening Up Enlightenment and the Reintroduction of Female Ordination in Twentieth-century Burma/Myanmar

18:00: Discussion

Day 2: 17 May 2022

Section 3: New Ways of Buddhist Practice: Revivals & Inventions

Chair: Alex Von Rospatt

9:00: Yoshiko Ashiwa, “No” Gender Limits for Practice of Teaching and Realizing Peace: A Case of Nipponzan Myohoji

9:45: Thi Sinh Ninh, The Position of Vietnamese Nuns from the Buddhist Revival
Movement (1930s) to the Present Period: Research Through Educational Activities for Nuns [online]

10:45: Agata Bareja-Starzyńska, *Buddhist Nuns in Mongolia - Beginnings and Development*

11:30: Trent Walker, *Khmer Nuns and Filial Debts: Buddhist Intersections in Contemporary Cambodia*

12:15: Discussion & Concluding Discussion