

# FIGURATIONS OF AFTERLIFE/AFTERDEATH IN EAST AND WEST

CONFERENCE IN DELHI 12.-14.02.2014

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>

- 09.00 **Günter Blamberger** (Cologne), **Sudhir Kakar** (Goa) Introduction  
10.00 **Sudhir Kakar** (Goa) Death and Dying in the Poems of  
Rabindranath Tagore  
**Günter Blamberger** (Cologne) Threshold-Images between Life  
and Death in Literature and Film  
13.00 **Vijay Mishra** (Perth) Afterdeath and the Bollywood Gothic  
Noir  
**Georg Braungart** (Tübingen) The Afterlife of the Dead in this  
World: Ghosts, Art, and Poetry in German Modernism  
18.30 Reading: **Martin Mosebach** (Frankfurt/Main) Westend  
(novel, 1992)

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>

- 08.30 **Jonardon Ganeri** (Seoul) Bhavanga: Living between Deaths  
**Martin Roussel** (Cologne) To Bear Someone – Living on, on  
Living, and the Idea of Death  
11.00 **Katharina Poggendorf-Kakar** (Goa) Fasting to Death in Jaina  
Tradition  
**Thomas Macho** (Berlin) A Way to Nirvana? Practices of Self-  
Mummification  
13.00 **Michael Bollig** (Cologne), **Varun Sahni** (Delhi) Joint Address  
14.30 **Harish Trivedi** (Delhi) Grateful to Life and Death  
**Friedrich Vollhardt** (Munich) The Afterworld as a Site of  
Punishment. Imagining Hell in European Literature  
17.00 **Arindam Chakrabarti** (Manoa) Dreams, Deaths and Deaths  
within Dreams  
**Oliver Krüger** (Fribourg) The Quest for Immortality as a  
Technical Problem. The Visions of Posthumanism

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>

- 08.30 **Naman Ahuja** (Delhi) Death and Afterlife in Ancient Indian  
Art  
**Jens Schlieter** (Bern) “Death-x-pulse” and “Life Review”.  
Coping with Near-Death-Experiences in Indian, Tibetan,  
and European Literature  
11.00 Concluding Discussion

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