Controversy

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National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan
20th-23rd July 2005

PROGRAM

Wednesday 20

Arrival Check-in at Leader Hotel Taipei*
Registration 16:00-18:00
Welcome Gathering 18:00-19:30

Thursday 21

FIRST SESSION

8:30-8:40 Han-liang Chang (Taipei)
Opening Address
8:40-9:10 Marcelo Dascal (Tel Aviv)
Dichotomies and Controversies
9:10-9:40 Alan Gross (Minneapolis)
Controversy in the Public Sphere: The "Crimes of the Wehrmacht" Exhibits
9:40-10:00 Discussion
10:00-10:15 Coffee Break

SECOND SESSION

10:15-10:45 Olga Weijers (The Hague)
The Medieval disputatio
10:45-11:15 Christopher Martin (Auckland, NZ)

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Arguing About Impossibilities: Medieval obligationes and the Foundation of Metaphysics
11:15-11:35 Discussion
11:35-14:00 Lunch

THIRD SESSION
14:00-14:30 Merio Scattola (Padova)
Renaissance Dialectics and Rhetoric
14:30-15:00 Cristina Marras (Cagliari)
Metaphor as a Cognitive Tool in Early Modern Philosophical Debates
15:00-15:20 Discussion
15:20-15:30 Coffee break

FOURTH SESSION
15:30-16:00 Simonetta Ponchia (Padova)
A Tradition of Debate in Ancient Mesopotamian Dialogues
16:00-16:30 Hanina Ben-Menachem (Jerusalem)
Three Talmudic Texts on Controversies
16:30-16:50 Discussion
18:30-21:00 Dinner reception

Friday 22

FIFTH SESSION
8:30-9:00 Peng-Yi (Chung Li)
Hsun Tzu and the Argumentation Tradition
9:00-9:30 Han-liang Chang (Taipei)
Persuasion in the Pre-Chin China: The Great Debate Revisited
9:30-9:50 Discussion
9:50-10:00 Coffee break

SIXTH SESSION
10:00-10:30 Kin Yuen Wong (Hong-Kong)
Ecoethic Controversies in the Chinese Classics
10:30-11:00 Geok Hui Jap (Taipei)
Fusion of Debate Traditions: The Case of Singapore
11:00-11:20 Discussion
11:20-12:00 IASC business meeting
12:00-14:30 Lunch
14:00-20:00 Excursion to Palace Museum and Tian-Nai Spa (including dinner)
Saturday 23

SEVENTH SESSION
8:30-9:00   Juipi Chien (Taipei)
            *The Vitalist-Mechanicist Controversy in Biology*
9:00-9:30   Torsten Rüting (Hamburg)
            *Just Reflex or Active Learning? The Pavlovian and the Uexküllian perspective on the study of behaviour*
9:30-9:50   Discussion
9:50-10:00  Coffee break

EIGHTH SESSION
10:00-10:30 Adelino Cattani (Padova)
            *The Right, the Duty, and the Pleasure of Debating in the Western Tradition*
10:30-11:00 Ofer Gal (Sidney)
            *Controversies About Controversies*
11:00-11:30 Xiaoming Wu (Canterbury, NZ)
            *Rhetoric in the Analects*
11:30-12:00 Discussion
12:00-14:00 Lunch

NINTH SESSION
14:00-14:40 Sir Geoffrey Lloyd (Cambridge)
            *Towards a Taxonomy of Controversies and Controversiality: Ancient Greece and China*
14:40-15:20 General Discussion, moderated by Marcelo Dascal