

TRANSCULTURA

Inauguration of the *Observatoire Transculturel* in Merzig Symposium "Mathematics and Cultures"

Last update: 16 Nov. 2007



Venue: Museum Schloss Fellenberg, Torstraße 45a, 66663 Merzig (Germany)
Languages: German, English, French (simultaneous interpretation)

Final Programme

Monday, 19 November 2007	
08.45-09.15	Registration of Participants
09.15-10.15	<p>Welcoming Addresses</p> <p><i>Susanne Reichbrath</i>, Vice-Minister of Education of Saarland <i>Alfons Lauer</i>, Mayor of Merzig <i>Volker Linneneber</i>, President of Saarland University <i>Martina Ghosh-Schellhorn</i> and <i>Maximilian Herberger</i></p>
10.15-10.30	<i>Alain le Pichon</i> "Le débat épistémologique dans le champ de la connaissance réciproque"
10.30-11.15	<p>Keynote Speech</p> <p><i>Ahmed Djebbar</i> "History of Mathematics in Islamic Cultures"</p>
11.15-12.00	<p>Keynote Speech</p> <p><i>Shahid Rahman</i> "Poincaré against the Logicians"</p>
12.00-13.30	Lunch (Café-Kaufhaus Kahn, Kirchplatz 15, 66663 Merzig)
13.30-15.00	<p>AFTERNOON SESSION</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Ahmed Djebbar</i></p> <p>Introductory Lectures</p> <p><i>François Nizery</i> "L'Europe et la transculturalité: acte II – Europe en chiffres, culture en friches?" <i>Bernard Randé</i> "The Work of Srivanasana Ramanujan" <i>Patrick Deshayes</i> "Multiperspectival Reflections on Natural and Mathematical Languages, Based on Examples from Africa and Amazonia"</p>
15.30-17.00	<p>Open Discussion: school pupils, university students, mathematics teachers, mathematics professors, symposium participants and the <i>Transcultura Response Panel</i>, comprising Moussa Sow, Balveer Arora, Jesus Garcia Ruiz, Gajanana Prabhu-Gaunkar</p> <p>Concluding Remarks</p>
18.00-19.30	<p>Closing Event</p> <p>Review of the Year of the Humanities (2007), preview of activities planned for the Year of Mathematics (2008), and wine reception. Organized by the Saarland Ministries of Education and Research.</p>

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