XXV CONFERENCE OF THE ACADEMY OF LATINITY

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
- 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)
Thursday, May 24

9:00 am – Third Session: Reинventions 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
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