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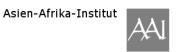
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# Ecclesiastic Landscape of North Ethiopia: History, Change and Cultural Heritage

**International Workshop** 

Hamburg, 15-16 July 2011

The historical highlands of Northern Ethiopia (Tigray), an ancient Christian region, have experienced complex developments in the past millennia. Within the local ecclesiastic context, different religious groups and movements were born at different points in time, each time modifying and enriching the cultural landscape of the area. Having appeared, churches and monastic communities used to define, retain or change their affiliation. The emerging networks influenced the religious, cultural and social life in North Ethiopia. Studying ecclesiastic sites, one can try to reconstruct and trace back historical identities, creating a coherent historical narrative for the region.

The first workshop convened by the team of the Ethio-SPARE project and bringing together specialists in different interrelated fields focuses on religious currents in Tigray and their reflection in the region's ecclesiastic landscape. New results will be presented both from Ethio-SPARE and other ongoing research projects. The comparative perspective offered by the workshop framework will allow new methodological insights into the matter, and the additional time for discussion will allow for learning opportunities for all workshop participants.

14.00-14.15	Friday, 15 July 2011 Opening and welcome
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14.15-14.45	Ecclesiastic Landscape of North Ethiopia.  Methodologies and Types of Approach. An Overview.  Dr. Denis Nosnitsin, Hamburg
14.45-15.30	Monastic Networks in North Ethiopia  Dr. Anaïs Wion, Paris
15.30-16.00	Discussion
	Coffee break
16.30-17.15	Ecclesiastic Sites of the Nine Saints  Dr. Antonella Brita, Naples

17.15-18.00	Monastic Network of abunä Mädhaninä ∃gzi <sup>?</sup> François LeCadre, Paris
18.00-18.30	Discussion
20.00	Dinner

# Saturday, 16 July 2011

09.00-09.45	"Ewostatean" Ecclesiastic Sites in North Ethiopia Prof. Dr. Michael Gervers, Toronto
09.45-10.30	New Branches of the "Stephanite" Monastic Network? The Cases of Foqäda and Mäkod'a Dr. Denis Nosnitsin, Hamburg
10.30-11.00	Discussion
	Coffee break
11.30-12.15	Historical Overview of the Church of 'Addiqäḥarsi Paraqliţos (Gulo Mäkäda, Tigray): Site, Tradition, Library Dr. Stéphane Ancel, Hamburg
12.15-13.00	Manuscripts and Scribes of the Church of Mədrä Ruba (Gulo Mäkäda, Tigray)  Vitagrazia Pisani, Hamburg
	Lunch
14.30-15.00	Churches and Monasteries of North Ethiopia: Cultural Heritage Gebre Egziabher Naizghi, Mekelle
15.00-15.30	Final discussion. Conclusion