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The second workshop convened by the team of the project Ethio-SPARE: Cultural Heritage of Christian Ethiopia. Salvation, Preservation, Research is dedicated to the veneration of saints in Ethiopia. The presentations will cover a wide range of topics, from the Vitae of Egyptian saints in Ethiopian context to the hagiographies of local saints to the contemporary veneration practices. An update on the progress of the Ethio-SPARE project activities will be provided.

**Saturday, 28 April 2012**

09.00-09.15 Opening and Welcome
09.15-10.00 Introduction. Report about the activities of the project (Denis Nosnitsin, Hamburg)

**I. The Desert Saints in Ethiopian Tradition**
10.00 -10.30 The Role of St. Anthony in Ethiopian Literature and Monasticism (Witold Witakowski, Uppsala)
10.30-11.00 The Short Ethiopian Life of John, Hegemonon of Scetis in the 7th century (Ugo Zanetti, Chevetogne)

Coffee break

11.30-12.00 Ascetic Suicide on the Example of St. Paul of Tamma: Egyptian Drama and Ethiopian Continuation (Dmitry Bumazhnov, Göttingen)
12.00-12.30 The Vita of St. Kiros: Manuscript Witnesses from Tigray (Magdalena Krzyżanowska, Hamburg)
12.30-13.00 Discussion

Lunch

**II. Martyrs in Ethiopian Tradition**
15.00-15.30 The Hagiographic Collection Gādlā Sāma’ etat: Texts and Manuscripts (Antonella Brita, Hamburg)
15.30-16.00 The Vita of St. Cyriacus in North Ethiopia (Vitagrazia Pisani, Hamburg)

16.00-16.30 Historical Background in the Vita of Martyrs of Addiqäharsi Paraqlitos (Denis Nosnitsin, Hamburg)
16.30-17.00 Discussion

Coffee break

**III. Ethiopian Saints: Hagiographies and History**
17.30-18.00 Between Hagiography and History: the Case of the Zag’e (Gianfranco Fiaccadori, Milan)
18.00-18.30 Manuscripts of the Vita Täklä Haymanot: a South Ethiopian Saint in Tigray (Stéphane Ancel, Hamburg)
18.30-19.00 Historical and Philological Issues in the Hagiography of Särşä Peṭros (Susanne Hummel, Hamburg)
19.00-19.30 Discussion

Dinner

**Sunday, 29 April 2012**

**IV. Ethiopian Saints: History and Veneration**
09.00-09.30 The Aksumite Kingdom as Represented in Ethiopic Hagiographic Sources (Iosif Fridman, Moscow)
09.30-10.00 Veneration of Saints in the Ethiopian Monastic Context (Joachim Persoon, Addis Ababa)
10.00-10.30 Discussion

Coffee break

11.00-11.30 Address of a representative of the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church (Abuna Maqaryos, East Tigray, Addigrat)
11.30-12.00 Address of a representative of the Tigray Culture and Tourism Agency (Meseret Haile Sellasie, Mekele)
12.00-13.00 Final discussion. Conclusion.

Lunch