

**UKABS Annual Conference 2017**  
**Senate House (Rm 132), SOAS, University of London**  
**Saturday 1 July 2017**

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- 9:15 am                      Registration starts
- 9:30 – 10:00 am          Cathy Cantwell (UKABS President) *Welcome*  
Peter Harvey (BSR Editor) *History of UKABS*

**Morning Session:** Current Research in Buddhist Studies

- 10:00- 10:40 am          Ann Heirman (Ghent University, Belgium) *Body Movement and Sport Activities in Monastic Precepts: A Normative Perspective from India to China*

**Refreshments**                      **10:40-11:00 am**

- 11:00-11:40 am          Christopher Jones (Oxford University) *Reevaluating the Buddha-Nature Idea in India*
- 11:40-12:20 pm          Lewis Doney (British Museum) *Scriptorial Practices in 9th-Century Dunhuang: Evidence from the Aparimitayur-nāma Sūtra Copies*

**Lunch**                                      **12:20-1:15 pm**

**AGM**    **1:15 - 2:15 pm**

**Afternoon Session:** Postgraduate Students in Buddhist Studies

- 2:15-2:45 pm              Kulamitra (SOAS) *Seeking Water and Comfort: Early Settlement Processes around Bhaja and Bedsa's Rock-Cut Monasteries*
- 2:45-3:15 pm              Jiangchenshi (Lancaster) *Mindfulness as Ancient Wisdom in Contemporary Chan Monasteries in China and Taiwan.*

**Refreshments**

**3:15-3:30 pm**

**Late Afternoon Session:** New Research Areas in Buddhist Studies

3:30-4:10 pm

Gregory A. Scott (Manchester University) *The Taiping War and its Impact on Buddhist Monasteries in China, 1850-1898*

4:10-4:50 pm

David Park (Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Centre for Buddhist Art and Conservation at Courtauld Institute) *Fragile Inheritance: the Conservation of Buddhist Art*

**\*Registration Fee for UKABS one-day conference (2016):**

UKABS members: £25 (£15 students/monastic members/retired)

Non-UKABS members: £35 (£25 students/monastic members/retired)

Lunch is included for those who book before Friday 16 June.

If you would like to reserve a place, please send a cheque payable to UKABS to Dr Caroline Starkey, School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science, LG13 Baines Wing, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT.