



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
**FOLK RELIGION IN VIETNAM AND REGION:  
A COMPARATIVE APPROACH**

**Time:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022.

**Venue:**

- *On-site:* Building E, Room 304, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University, Hanoi.

- *Online:* Zoom virtual meeting, ID: 338 381 6828, Password: 123456

**PROGRAM**

FRIDAY (02/12/2022)
08:00-08:30: Registration
<b>08:30-09:30: Opening Ceremony</b> Chairman: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Quang Hưng
- Introduction.
- The Representative of the University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University, Hanoi: <i>Welcoming Speech</i> .
- Speech of the Representative of Government Committee for Religious Affairs.
- Prof. Dr. Kirsten W. Endres (Max Planck Institute, Germany): <i>Keynote Speech "Spirit Religions in Southeast Asia Today: Conceptual Reflections and Theoretical Perspectives"</i> .
09:30-09:45: Coffee Break
<b>09:45-12:00</b> <b>Panel 1. Folk religions and beliefs: Theretical issues and challenges of modernization</b> Chairmen: Prof. Dr. Đỗ Quang Hưng, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lại Quốc Khánh, Prof. Dr. Kirsten W. Endres
1. Prof. Dr. Đỗ Quang Hưng (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): <i>Faith-religion in Vietnam: Where is it in the crossroads of spiritual movements today?</i>
2. Prof. Dr. Trần Văn Đoàn (Fujen University, Taiwan): <i>Spirit or Ghost - Philosophy of religion after Hegel</i>
3. Nhữ Văn Duy (Academy of People's Security): <i>Impacts of endogenous religions on spiritual and cultural life of people in the Mekong Delta</i>
4. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Quế Hương (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): <i>Religious life of Viet people in the Red River Delta: Tradition to Modern Time</i>
5. Dr. Nguyễn Ngọc Mai (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): <i>Folk religions in Vietnam in regard to classifications of religions in the world</i>

6. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Vũ Công Thương (Sài Gòn University): *Some similarities and differences between faith and religion in Vietnam*
7. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Anh Cường (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Some political implications in the identification of the state-church relationship in the US*
8. Nguyễn Đệ (Hồ Chí Minh City's University of Culture): *Religions and faiths and their affects on the life of Cham people in the South*
9. Dư Nguyễn Trung Minh, Dương Thị Lam (Cần Thơ University): *Taking advantage of religion in Vietnam today – Causes and effects*
10. Dr. Phạm Thanh Hằng (Ho Chi Minh National Political Academy): *Japanese Shindoism and Vietnamese folk religions: Some comparisons*
11. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mai Quang Hiện (Academy of People's Security), Dr. Nguyễn Thị Ngà (International Academy): *Traditional and modern values in folk religious festivals in Ninh Binh today*
12. Sơn Cao Thắng (Trà Vinh University): *Khmer folk religions and belief in the traditional and modern Southern societies*
13. MA. Hà Tiên Linh (Academy of People's Security): *Religious activities taking advantage of the image of Ho Chi Minh for personal benefit – Situations and solutions*
14. Dr. Đỗ Minh Thảo (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Layers of the Dragon symbols of Vietnamese in the Red River Delta*
15. Võ Thị Thùy Dung (Đà Lạt University): *Faiths of Mnông people in Central Highland: Traditions and Changes*

12:00-13:30: Lunch Break

**13:30-17:00**

**Panel 2. Deity worship of ethnic groups in Vietnam and region**

Chairmen: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Quang Hưng, Dr. Shang-Wen Wang,  
Dr. Phạm Quỳnh Chinh

1. Dr. Shang-Wen Wang (International College, Krirk University, Thailand): *Folk Religion as Multi-Dimensional Phenomena in a Society-Take Mazu Belief in Taiwan for Example*
2. Lê Thị Mai An (Thừa Thiên Huế Museum of History): *Offering ritual to commemorate the fall of the Citadel – A humanist custom of Hue people*
3. MA. Mai Thuỳ Anh (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Folk religions in Chinese families residing in Ho Chi Minh City today (case studies in District 5)*
4. MA. Vũ Thanh Bằng (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Taboos in village god worships in Red River Delta*
5. Dr. Hoàng Văn Chung (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *The rise of gods during Đổi Mới: The case of the return of the faith in Kiến Thủy village god*
6. Dr. Vũ Văn Chung (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Polytheistic and folk beliefs in the regulations of Raglai people*
7. Dr. Chu Xuân Giao (Institute of Cultural Studies): *New events surrounding the grave of the activist Trần Đông Phong in Tokyo (Japan): Thinkings about the process of birth of a new blessing god*
8. Nguyễn Thái Hòa (Hồ Chí Minh City's University of Culture): *The Quanyin faith of Ôn Lăng Society and its meanings in the spiritual life of Chinese in Ho Chi Minh City*
9. Bùi Duy Hoàng (Economic Research Center in South Vietnam): *The faith and worship of the Regional Goddess of Mount Sam in Châu Đốc, An Giang province*
10. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Quang Hưng (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *The new religion of Giàng Sóng Minh (through fieldstudies at Hùng Lợi and Ngòi Sen villages, Tuyên Quang province)*
11. MA. Đỗ Duy Hưng, MA. Trần Anh Châu (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Faiths of Hmông and Dao people in Vietnam*

12. MA. Hoàng Thị Thu Hằng (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *The pantheon of gods of Dao Quần Chẹt group in Yên Bái through their ritual prayer books*
13. PhD candid. Lê Thị Hồng Liên (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *The worship of Ý Lan Queen in Hanoi – A grassroot religious practice in the bowel of the capital city*
14. Dr. Nabeta Naoko (Kanagawa University, Japan), Dr. Nguyễn Văn Quảng (Đại học Huế): *The worship of Kitchen Gods in Vietnam and comparisons with similar Chinese, Japanese and Korean practices*
15. Dr. Đặng Hoàng Lan, Đoàn Lê Minh Khởi (Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City): *“Talisman” – the symbol of the Mr. Bôn faith among the Chinese community at Cầu Kè, Trà Vinh province*
16. Trần Nguyễn Khánh Phong (Association of Science of History of Thừa Thiên Huế Province): *The worship of rice goddess of Tà Ôi people*
17. MA. Đỗ Thị Thanh, Dr. Đặng Hoàng Lan (Bình Dương Province’s Museum): *The faith and festival Mr. Bôn of Phước Kiến Chinese people in Bình Dương province*
18. Tạ Thị Thanh Tâm (Hà Nội University): *Unique characters of Mường people’s funeral*
19. Đại Tân (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *‘Then’ practice of Tày and Nùng groups today*
20. Kim Thanh Sản, Ngô Tùng Lâm (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *The worship of Đức Thánh Trần of Viet people and the worhip of Quanyu of Chineses in the South: A comparative persepective*
21. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Thu, Dr. Triệu Thị Trinh (University of Labour and Society): *Faiths of H’mong people in Vietnam*
22. Dr. Nguyễn Hữu Thọ, Lê Văn Hiếu (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Đông Quan in the relationship between the Sacred – the Profane and the thirst for gods in real life*
23. Lý Việt Trường (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Some sketches of the Tào faith of Tày and Nùng people in Vietnam*
24. Dr. Nguyễn Quỳnh Trâm (Center Committee of the Vietnam National Fronts): *On faiths of some ethnic groups in north Central Highland*
25. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Trần Đăng Sinh (Hanoi University of Pedagogy), MA. Vũ Thị Mận (Political School of Hải Dương): *The worship of Đức Thánh Trần at Kiếp Bạc temple, Hải Dương province today*
26. Dr. Phan Thị Hoa Lý (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Transformation in the faith of Chinese people in Hanoi: the case of the Guangdong Society*
27. Dr. Nguyễn Ngọc Quỳnh (Vietnam National Fronts), Dr. Nguyễn Thị Quế Hương: *The role of religion and faith in the communal life of Khmer people in the Southwest of Vietnam*
28. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Anh Tuấn (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Folk beliefs and the generation, preservation, and spreading of some Vietnamese cultural values*
29. Dr. Trần Thị Điều, PhD candid. Phan Thị Hoàng Mai (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Goddess worship of Viet people: Characters and Values*
30. Dr. Phạm Quỳnh Chinh (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *The role of the faith in village gods in the spiritual life of village people in Red River Delta*

**SATURDAY (03/12/2022)**

**08:00-10:00**

**Panel 3. Ancestor worship and Mother Goddess worship in Vietnam and region**

Chairmen: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Anh Tuấn, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lê Thị Lan

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Đặng Thị Lan

1. Dr. Mai Diệu Anh, MA. Nguyễn Quốc Huy (Academy of People’s Security): *Ancestor worship of H’mong people in the Northern mountainous areas*

2. Dr. Nguyễn Khắc Đức (Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City): *Some issues in ancestor worship of Viet people in Vietnam*
3. Dr. Phạm Hoàng Giang, Dr. Phạm Thu Trang (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Outlook on life through ancestor worship of Dao Quần Chẹt people at Ba Vì village, Ba Vì, Hanoi*
4. Dr. Phạm Hoàng Mạnh Hà, Trần Thị Liên, Bùi Thu Loan (Museum of National History): *Ancestor worship of Khơ Mú people – An interpretation of the common origin of the hundred groups of Viet*
5. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lê Thị Lan (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Ancestor worship from family practice to national ritual – A cultural value of Viet people*
6. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Minh Ngọc (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Ancestor worship and funeral practice of Viet people nowadays*
7. PhD candid. Phạm Minh Phương, Dr. Nguyễn Bình (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Ancestor worship of Chăm Bàni people in Ninh Thuận and Bình Thuận provinces today*
8. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Trần Đăng Sinh (Hanoi University of Pedagogy), MA. Hứa Đức Hội (Tân Trào University): *Ancestor worship of Tày families in the Northeast area of Vietnam today*
9. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Tố Uyên (Vietnam National University, Hanoi), Dr. Nguyễn Văn Khương (ĐH Lâm Nghiệp): *Family temple land issue seen from the perspective of Vietnamese legislation*
10. Dr. Bùi Ánh Vân (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Similarities between the ideas of Vietnamese and Koreans regarding filial piety*
11. MA. Nguyễn Thị Phúc, Dr. Phạm Thị Thùy, Dr. Đỗ Thị Yến (University of Labour and Society): *Patriotic education through the Hùng Temple Festival in Phú Thọ today*
12. Nguyễn Đăng Bản (Government Committee for Religious Affairs): *Some values of the Mother Goddess worship*
13. Dr. Nguyễn Văn Bốn (Khánh Hòa University): *Acculturation in Mother Goddess worship of Viet people in the North and Cham people in the Middle of Vietnam: A comparative approach*
14. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Lan, Chủ Quốc Hoàn (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Male gods in Mother Goddess Worship in Red River Delta*
15. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Đặng Thị Lan (Vietnam National University, Hanoi), Dr. Nguyễn Thị Lê Thu (National Economics University): *Len Dong ritual in the Mother Goddess worship of Viet people and some comparisons with Korean Kut ritual*
16. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Thuỳ Linh (Vietnam National University, Hanoi), Dr. Lisa L. Stenmark (Emeritus Faculty San Jose State University, College of Humanities and the Arts): *“Is Đạo Mẫu a Syncretic Religion?”: The limit of Western concepts in adequately understand non-Western religion*
17. Nguyễn Hữu Phúc (Huế Citadel’s Center for Heritage Preservation): *Viet-Chinese exchanges and accultuarations through the worship of the Goddesses of Five Elements and Quanyu God in the Four Palaces Mother Goddess Worship in Huế region*
18. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lê Công Sự (Hanoi University): *Mother Goddess Worship: From traditional source to modern values*
19. PhD candid. Phạm Thị Thơm (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Four Palaces transformation in the temples worshipping Goddesses and Mother Goddess: The case of the Four Goddesses*
20. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Yên (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Mother Liễu Hạnh in the Four Palaces of Viet people: The symbol that connect back to the worship of the original mother among ethnic minorities in Vietnam*
21. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Thọ (Hanoi University of Pedagogy), MA. Lê Châu Mỹ Hoa (Tôn Đức Thắng Political School): *Impacts of the worship of nature and prosperity on the formulation of Mother Goddess worship in An Giang*

10:00-10:15: Coffee Break

10:15-11:45

**Panel 4. Institutionalized religions in interactions with folk religions in Vietnam and religion**

Chairmen: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Thanh Xuân, Dr. Dr. Lee Hyun-kyung

Dr. Phạm Huy Thông

1. Dr. Đỗ Thị Ngọc Anh (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Sexuality and the issue of keeping a religious lifestyle of Vietnamese Catholics in the current situations*
2. Dr. Phạm Thị Chuyền (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Syncretism of Khmer traditional religion and Theravada Buddhism in Vietnam*
3. Dr. Đặng Thị Đông (Thích nữ Viên Giác) (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *The process of introduction and appropriation of Buddhism in Vietnam during the first centuries and its characteristics*
4. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Đỗ Thị Hoà Hối, PhD candid. Lê Tô Nam (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Some characters of the syncretism between beliefs and Mahayana Buddhism in Kiên Giang today*
5. Dr. Đông Thị Hồng, Dr. Đoàn Thanh Thủy (University of Labour and Society): *The Buddhist Sangha in Điện Biên province and their charitable works towards social wellbeings*
6. Bùi Thị Huyền, Nguyễn Thị Lạng (Academy of Social Sciences in Central Highland Region): *Catholic influences over the changes of cultural and spiritual life of Ê Đê people in Đắk Lắk province today*
7. Dr. Nguyễn Trung Kiên (Academy of People's Security): *Changes in secularity of religions in Indonesia*
8. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Thanh Mai (Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City): *The compatibility between Buddhist culture and Vietnamese spiritual culture through the view of students of USSH, VNU, Ho Chi Minh City*
9. Dr. Nguyễn Thị Như (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *The religious aspect of Confucianism during the Lý - Trần eras*
10. MA, PhD candid. Đỗ Quang Huy (Academy of People's Security): *Influences of Taoism on Vietnamese folk beliefs and some reflections*
11. Dr. Triệu Quang Minh (Ho Chi Minh Political Academy - Region I), Dr. Nguyễn Thị Bích Hồng (Ministry of Education): *Changes in folk beliefs of Khmer people today*
12. Dr. Phạm Huy Thông (Committee for Christian Solidarity): *Vietnamese Catholicism and native religions and faiths*
13. Phí Thành Phát (Ho Chi Minh Youth Union in Tây Ninh): *Folk belief in a Viet Buddhist temple in Tây Ninh*
14. PhD candid. Lý Ngọc Bảo Trân (Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City): *Faith in the Protestan interpretation of death and its affection over the life and religious activities of Protestants (through the case of the Vị Thanh church (Vietnam Evangelical Church) in Hậu Giang province)*
15. MA. Trương Thủy Trinh (Vietnamese Academy of Social Sciences): *Buddhist rituals in Vietnamese practices of funeral and ancestor worship in history: An overview of research data*
16. Dr. Đinh Thị Tuyết (Thái Nguyên University): *Influences of folk religion on the common sense of morality of Catholics in Nam Định province.*
17. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Thanh Xuân (Ho Chi Minh Political Academy): *Cao Đài religion – some notes for approachment and interpretation*
18. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nguyễn Thúy Vân, Dr. Trương Thị Quỳnh Hoa (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *Influences of the Buddhism-folk religion relationship on some aspects of social life in Vietnam today*
19. Dr. Lee Hyun-kyung (Chonnam National University): *Joseon Christianity Tradition in Honam Area: Lee Se-jong and His Legacy*

20. Dr. Nguyễn Hữu Thọ, Tà Thành Giáo (Vietnam National University, Hanoi): *The Charity Body of Cao Đài religion*
21. PhD candid. Thích Minh Thuận (Vietnam Buddhist Sangha): *The magical life and influence of the great monk Từ Đạo Hạnh in Red River Delta*

**11:45-12:00**  
**Closing Ceremony**

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