WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

09:00 – 10:30  Opening: Bringing Buddhist and Islamic Traditions into a Conversation

09:00 – 09:20  Welcome Speech, Prof. Dr. Mira Sievers
09:20 – 10:00  Keynote Lecture, Prof. Dr. Perry Schmidt-Leukel

“... that you may come to know one another” (Qur’an 49:13).
Learning about, from, and with the religious other.

10:00 – 10:30  Discussion

10:30 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30  First Session: The Concept of God / Reality
  Chair: Prof. Dr. Mohammad Gharaibeh

11:00 – 11:30  An Islamic Theological Perspective, Dr. Farid Suleiman
11:30 – 12:00  A Buddhist Theological Perspective, Dr. Alexander Berzin
12:00 – 12:30  Discussion

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:00  Second Session: The Nature of Human Existence
  Chair: Dr. Claudia Seise

13:30 – 14:00  An Islamic Philosophical Perspective, Dr. Ufuk Topkara
14:00 – 14:30  A Buddhist Philosophical Perspective, Prof. Dr. Peter Harvey
14:30 – 15:00  Discussion

15:00 – 15:30  Coffee Break

15:30 – 17:00  Third Session: Transformation of Self through Religious Practice
  Chair: Prof. Dr. Tuba Isik

15:30 – 16:00  An Islamic Theological Perspective, Elif Emirahmetoglu, M.A.
16:00 – 16:30  A Buddhist Theological Perspective, Dr. Carola Roloff
16:30 – 17:00  Discussion

17:00 – 17:30  Coffee Break

17:30 – 18:00  Concluding Reflection
  Prof. Dr. Andreas Feldtkeller