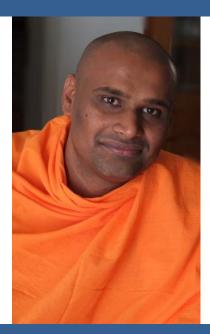
ACCORD Amsterdam Centre for 30th Jan. – 1st Feb. the Study of Cultural and Religious Diversity

ACCORD Vedānta-Symposium:



Tuesday 29th January

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Introduction, Meditation and Satsang at Au Bout du Monde Wisdom books

Wednesday 30th January

Public Lecture: *The Vision of Vedānta* at VU Amsterdam

Thursday 31st January and Friday 1st February

Two-day *Vedānta*-Seminar at VU Amsterdam

with Swami Santatmananda

Swami Santatmananda Saraswati is the resident Head teacher of the Swami Dayananda Ashram in Rishikesh, India. Born to a traditional orthodox family in Chennai, his association and learning with Swami Paramarthananda early in his life sowed the seed and nurtured his interest in spirituality. He was trained in Vedanta and Sanskrit at the Arsha Vidya Pitham, an Advaita seminary, in Rishikesh for a period of three years (2003–2006) under the tutelage of Swami Dayananda Saraswati and Swami Brahmavidyananda. Herewith it is a very unique occasion to learn from someone immersed in the main carriers of this type of Hindu tradition

Meditation and Satsang:

29th January

Swami Santatmananda will introduce his work at the Swami Dayananda Ashram in Rishikesh and give a small survey of the contents of his lecture and seminar. After a guided meditation Swami Santatmananda will be open to critical, personal and philosophical questions concerning *Vedānta*.

Place: Au Bout du Monde Wisdom Books - Singel 313 - 1012 WJ Amsterdam - 020-6251397 **Time:** Entrance: 18:30; Begin: 19:00 **Participation:** Contribution towards expenses including donation: 12,50€

Lecture: The Vision of Vedānta 30th January

Vedānta is based on a body of knowledge known as the four Vedas. The end portions of the four Vedas are known as Upanishads, which teach in infinite detail that there is one consciousness that is in and through the universe and every form of life. It is Brahman. It is awareness. There is nothing else. This is Vedanta – the teaching known as Brahmavidya – the knowledge of Brahman. The Upanishads show through the knowledge of Brahman that immortality and freedom from the cycle of life and death are the true nature of humanity and of every form of life. Swami Santatmananda presents this Vision of Vedanta.

Place and Time: VU University, Main Building (HG11A05) 18-20 o'clockLanguage: EnglishParticipation: free

Vedānta-Seminar: 31st January – 1st February

Swamiji will offer a two day seminar on Vedānta in connection with his lecture. This will be organized in collaboration with Icarus, the student society. During this two-day seminar Swamiji will teach the Vision of Vedānta in greater detail and is open to critical questions of all kind. Various philosophical dimensions are presented and discussed on the basis of an original Vedānta scripture, that will be made available.

Place and Time VU University, Main Building: Thursday (HG7A02) 10-15 o'clock; Friday (HG11A02) 10-15 o'clock **Participation**: Suggested donation: 10 euro's for students; 20 euro's for others.

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