May all be auspicious!

Venerable Khenmo Drolma leads

A series of online silent Shravasti Meditation retreats

Oct. 15–17, Nov. 12–14 and Dec. 3–5, 2021 (Fri. evening thru Sun. morning)

All are welcome to join. More information can be found here

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H.E. Garchen Rinpoche bestows Akshobyia Empowerment Sat. 11/9, kl. 19:30 - 21:00 CEST

Images for empowerment: Akshobyia Buddha here, Mandala here

Prayer book <u>here</u>

DETAILS ABOUT AKSHOBHYA

Akshobhya is practiced in the highest tantra, the anuttarayoga as one of the Five Wisdom (Dhyani) Buddhas. Akshobhya is usually depicted in blue (the color of clear water). See image. He symbolizes a clear mirror-like wisdom, which can transform any anger and clean rigid feelings.

HOW TO RECEIVE THE EMPOWERMENT?

Garchen Rinpoche said that an empowerment for visualizing a deity begins

(and one is permitted to embark the path of tantra) after one has practiced three stages of the path including the pratimoksha path of individual liberation (where we refrain from harming others and take the refuge vows) and bodhisattva path (where we care for all sentient beings and engage in bodhisattva conduct). "That is why bodhichitta is the most important" (since 42:40 of Medicine Buddha empowerment, July, 25, 2020 here).

Sakya Pandita, great master, often cited by Garchen Rinpoche, has said very clearly, "Without taking vows, there is no empowerment. And to take the vows, we need to know them and consciously accept them".Quoted from the first page of the publication: https://cutt.ly/Bodhichitta actions.

USEFUL LINKS ON VOWS:

- (1) Garchen Rinpoche summarizing Bodhisattva and Refuge vows https://cutt.ly/Garchen vows,
- (2) 18 root Bodhisattva Vows: here,
- (3) 46 secondary Bodhisattva Vows here,
- (4) 14 root tantric vows here.

In the Akshobhya empowerment text it is said: "For the sake of all sentient beings I will fully uphold all vows without exception".

AKSHOBHYA MANTRA (from Sadhana by Khenpo Munsel):

namo ratna-trayaya om kamkani kamkani rotsani rotsani trotani trotani trasani trasani pratihana pratihana sarva-karma-paramparani me sarva-sattvanantsa svaha

Livestream YouTube: Click here. Register to info@milareparetreat.de for Zoom link

More information here

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Continuation of Teachings on Lord Jigten Sumgön's Serkhangma Prayer Sun. 12/9, kl. 18 - 21 CEST

Prayer book <u>here</u> Serkhangma text <u>here</u>

Livestream YouTube: Click here. Register to <u>info@milareparetreat.de</u> for Zoom link

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Dorje Lopön Dr. Hun Lye teaches Bodhicitta according to Shantideva's *Engaging in the Conduct of Bodhisattvas*

Every Sat. and Tue. 11/9 and 14/9 kl. 15 - 17 CEST

Zoom Link: here. Meeting ID: 852 9257 9977 Passcode: bodhicitta

Make a donation here

Organized by Urban Dharma Buddhist community, North Carolina

Drubpon Rinchen Dorjee Rinpoche bestows

Teaching: Clarifying the Natural Mind by Takpo Tashi Namgyal,

Sat. 11/9, kl. 17 CEST

Using practical examples from Takpo Tashi Namgyal's own experience, this wonderful text instructs on the path from mindfulness to the complete enlightenment of Mahamudra, simply and methodically.

Text can be purchased <u>here</u>.

Zoom-link: Click here

Medicine Buddha Practice, Achi Smoke Offering, and World Peace Prayer

Sun. 12/9, kl. 17 CEST

The Heart of Benefit and Well Being is a concise practice composed by the tantric master, Nuden Dorje,

which purifies and removes the underlying causes of disease to benefit the health of ourselves or others.

Download Text: Click here

Zoom-link: Click here

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Khenpo Samdup Rinpoche leads

Teachings on Stages of Meditation Sat. – Sun. 11 - 12/9 kl. 17 – 19 CEST

Everything about this course: here

Zoom-link: <u>here</u>; Meeting ID: 871 0136 3775 Passcode: 620213

Make a donation to Gar Drolma Meditation Center: here

Drubpon Tsering Rinpoche leads

White Tara Longevity Practice Sun. 12/9 kl. 10:00 CEST

Text: Click here Picture Click here Prayer to 7 Taras Click here

Medicine Buddha Practice Wed. 15/9 kl. 19 CEST

Text: Click here; Picture: Click here

Shamata and Avalokiteshvara Practice Fri. 17/9 kl. 18 CEST

Text: Sadhana Click here Ganges Mahamudra Click here

Avalokiteshvara Practice Sat. 18/9, kl. 9 CEST

Text: Click here

Teachings on the Bardo Prayer Sat. 25/9, kl. 10 – 12, 14 - 16 CEST

This program requires registration. Information and registration: Click here

Zoom-link for regular events: https://zoom.us/ Meeting-ID: 737 3762 3305 / Password: Tara21?

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Venerable Khenpo Tenzin Offers

Meditation Series on the 37 Bodhisattva Practices Mon. 13/9, kl. 00 - 01 CEST

Livestream YouTube: Click here

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Organized by Garchen Buddhist Institute, Arizona

Q & A series on Serkhangma (Golden Temple) Prayer Fri.: 17/9, 24/9, 1/10, 8/10, kl. 00 - 02 CEST

Garchen Rinpoche has requested Khenpo Tenzin to answer any question you may have on the Serkhangma teachings. Please email your concise and clearly worded questions to registration@garchen.

Texts: here. Commentary by H.H. Drikung Kyabgon: here. Recitation by H.E. Garchen Rinpoche: here.

Livestream YouTube: Click here

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Drubpon Kunsang leads

Milarepa Retreat: Milarepa Guru Yoga & Milarepa's vajra songs

Sat. 18/9, kl. 10 - 18 CEST

More information, texts, and registration: Click here.

Organized by Milarepa Retreat Center, Germany

Drubpon Rinchen Dorjee Rinpoche bestows

Online Chakrasamvara Empowerment, Teachings, and leads Drupcho Retreat together with Garchen Institute Lamas Sun. – Wed. 25 - 29/9

Chakrasamvara is the main yidam of all Kagyu lineages, and the central deity practiced in the Fivefold Path of Mahamudra of the Drikung Kagyu Lineage. Chakrasamvara is centered around using bliss and emptiness to recognize and rest in our true nature or Buddha essence. More information comes soon

Livestream YouTube: Click here

Organized by Garchen Buddhist Institute, Arizona

His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama bestows:

Talk: Our Happiness, Our Health, Our Future: His Holiness the Dalai Lama's Reflections and Conversations on Our Happy, Healthy, and Sustainable Future

Wed. 22/9, kl. 05:30 - 06:30 CEST

This program is organized by Monmouth University, USA.

Teachings followed by Q & A

Sat. - Sun. 9 - 10/10, kl. 05:30 - 07:00 CEST

This program is organized by a group of Taiwanese.

Remarks on Compassion and Q & A

Tue. 26/10, kl. 05:30 – 06:30 CEST

Teaching: Maitreya's The Ornament of the Sutras

Thur. – Fri. 4 - 5/11, kl. 04:30 - 05:30 CET

Talk: Cultivating a Good Heart

Wed. 22/9, kl. 04:30 - 05:30 CET

Dialogue with Father Laurence Freeman and Q & A

Wed. 1/12, kl. 04:30 – 05:30 CET

Dialogue and Question & Answer

Wed. 8/12, kl. 04:30 - 05:30 CET

This program is organized by the Mind & Life Institute.

Livestream page for all events above: https://www.dalailama.com/live

H.E. Nubpa Rinpoche bestows Bodhicaryavatara by Shantideva

Aug. 9 onward, Mon. – Fri. kl. 13:30 – 14:30 CEST

Live broadcast In Tibetan and Chinese:

https://www.facebook.com/nubpa.rinpoche and

https://www.youtube.com/桑吉佛網

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