

MYSTICAL MOMENTS OF MODERN ETHICS

*Cross readings in Albert Schweitzer (1875-1965)
and Martin Buber (1878-1965)*

Monday 1st – Saturday 6th June 2015

The year 2015 commemorates the demise of two great figures of humanity: Albert Schweitzer and Martin Buber. The first, being 1952' laureate of the Nobel Price for Peace, is world widely known for his life-ethics and his charitable medical project in Lambarene (Gabon). The fame of the other is due to his reactualisation of Chassidism and his dialogical philosophy. Both men respected each other profoundly.

The purpose of the Third International Albert Schweitzer Summer School is to explore systematically and critically the meaning and importance of the mystical moment in the respective enterprises of Schweitzer and Buber, in order to clarify their self-imposed quest for a deeper foundation of modernity. Of what kind of mysticism motivates them? How does it relate to more traditional, religious mysticisms? How to articulate the affinity between the dialogical and reverence-for-life principles? Could Schweitzer and Buber be advanced as representing a new modernized paradigm of mysticism and spirituality?

Practical Information

Price per participant

550 € all-in (meals and accommodation in Gunsbach)

450 € for students

Not included: dinners during excursions, local travel costs, entrance fees and travel insurance

Deadlines

Paper presentation: **15 March 2015**, notification for acceptance 31 March 2015.

Inscription for all participants: **15 April 2015**

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