In the wake of our first successful encounter in 2022, the broad theme of our meeting will be again the generation, constitution and circulation of nautical-related knowledge throughout the Indian Ocean, including the Red Sea, and eastwards to the South and East China Seas, as far as the Moluccas and Japan, following the late medieval and early modern trade routes. With some flexibility, we are mainly interested in topics related to the cross-cultural fabric of the extended Indian Ocean, to the porosity and versatility of the cultural boundaries and markers.

The proposed workshop will consist of a series of brief, “hands-on” meetings, where presenters would be expected to share a “case study”, a problem, or a curiosity in a collegial, relaxed setting. In other words, speakers will be able to enrol the expertise, insights and help of interested colleagues to explore, tackle or simply listen to a particular aspect of the workshop’s general theme. Studies dealing with primary sources in non-Western languages are most welcome, while naturally allowing for an audience of wide-ranging linguistic competences.

**Date:** Two consecutive afternoons (WET=GMT), 4 and 5 June 2024.

**Submission date:**
If you would like to participate, please send us your title and abstract by **Sunday, 31 March 2024**, but feel free to contact the organizers as early as you can and with any queries you may have. We shall be very happy to discuss your proposal, however tentative or exploratory.

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