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Re: World Logic Day from the perspective of the UAI and of Ancient History and Archaeology

Dear Luiz,

I am writing as President of the Internatioanl Union of Academies (UAI) to endorse the World Logic Day as sponsored and organized by CIPSH.

As an inter-disciplinary Union, philosophy and logic are central disciplines and will remain so. The Union has sponsored the publication of many volumes in Medieval Philosophy which include major works on logic,

In my own discipline, applied logic is a essential methodology and many of the important computer programs for dating and analysis rely heavily on logic. Moreover, some of the texts recovered from Silk Road, in particular Nestorian texts in Sogdian and Chinese, reveal a high degree of knowledge of logic which is skillfully applied in religious debates, especially vis à vis dualism and polytheism.

I wish the event every success and that it will make a major contribution to scholarship and help to popularize this important academic discipline.

Yours sincerely,

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