## International Academic Conference on REALISING GLOBAL PEACE The Role and Impact of Hindu Teachings

## 24-26 June 2014 BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, London

The All-India Philosophy Association (Akhil Bhartiya Darshan Parishad), BAPS Swaminarayan Research Institute, and the Indo-Hellenic Society for Culture and Development, Greece are pleased to announce an international academic conference to be held on 24, 25 and 26 June 2014 at BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir in Neasden, London (the 'Neasden Temple') on the central theme of **Realising Global Peace: The Role and Impact of Hindu Teachings**.

As modern technology increases human connectivity and decreases distances between peoples and nations, the need for peace for individuals and societies becomes more pronounced. The quest for peace within and without is fundamental to various Hindu teachings, and the elucidation of the role of peace within Hinduism can positively contribute to not just academic scholarship but also humanity at large.

Scholars and graduate students from India, Britain, Greece and other countries are invited to present papers on how Hindu beliefs, values and practices can and do impact global peace.

Plenary sessions and parallel panels will explore various topics – such as Hindu metaphysics and epistemology, Hindu ethics and social philosophy, and Hindu faith in general – and their role in helping realise global peace.

The language of presentation for the conference shall be English and Hindi.

For those interested in presenting at the conference, an abstract of up to 300 words should be submitted to the All-India Philosophy Association by 30 April 2014.

The conference registration fee is a nominal £25, with a concessionary rate of £10 for students. Travel and accommodation arrangements shall remain the responsibility of individual delegates, but participants are encouraged to seek financial assistance for expenses from their home institutions. All meals and refreshments during the conference shall be provided free of charge.

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