Abstract: East and West have maintained constant contacts in the course of history to the extent that an Italian Orientalist, Giuseppe Tucci, recipient of the Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding in 1976, summarized this cultural reality in a concise formula, ‘Eurasia, a Continent’. Consciously shared ideals were often established through commercial relations, routes information contained in geographers’ and explorers’ reports, exchanged artistic and scientific knowledge, embassies between political powers.

The Lecture will be focused on the multifaceted connections that India entertained with the Classical World of ancient Greece and Rome, which were to continue in the following centuries through the activities of travelers, merchants, adventurers, professionals, and missionaries.

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