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TRANSLATION & TRANSMISSION

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Transmission

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John Canti

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In 1970, while studying medicine at Cambridge, he first met his Buddhist teachers, and started to practice under their guidance. After hospital work in London and Cambridge, he moved in the late seventies to eastern Nepal to establish tuberculosis programs in two remote hill districts.

Beginning in 1980, he underwent two three-year retreats in the Dordogne, France. Emerging from retreat at the end of the 80s, he helped found the Padmakara Translation Group, of which he is now president, and remains an active translator. Since 2001 he has also been a Fellow of the Tsadra Foundation. He serves on the working committee of 84000 as chair of the editorial section. He is based in France but also spends part of his time in Nepal and India. Currently John is working on Mipham's commentary on the *Ratnagotravibhāgotaratantrasāstra*.

John Canti's Presentation

What does the transmission process entail besides just the communication of information?

- transmission as teaching
- intention
- transformation
- preservation
- ethics of transmission
- personal contact
- pre-existing context
- authority and permission
- ritual
- cultural transfer