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# Philosophical Reflections on *Śabad* (Word):

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**Dr. Arvind-Pal S. Mandair, Tara Singh and Balwant Kaur Chattha and Gurbax Singh and Kirpal Kaur Brar Endowed Chair in Sikh Studies at the University of Michigan**

The śabad doctrine, also often referred to as śabad-guru (literally word-as-guru), is a foundational pillar of Sikh philosophy, spiritual praxis, political theology and a critical term in Sikh scripture. This lecture examines the passage of śabad from premodern scriptural sources to its entanglement in contemporary "wars of scholarship" and offers a postsecular interpretation of this important concept.

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