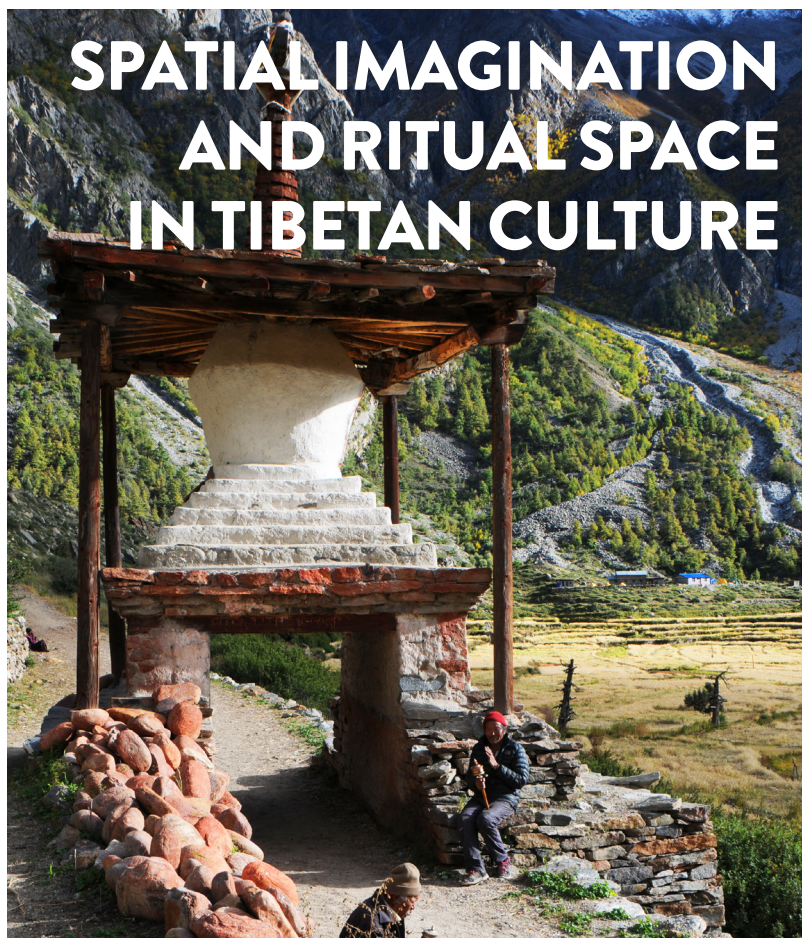


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# PROGRAM

## OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>:

**15:00-16:00** | **Charles Ramble** | École Pratique des Hautes Études-PSL, CRCAO, Paris

*Horizontal and Vertical Space in Two Forgotten Tibetan Rituals*

**16:00-17:00** | **Pascale Dollfus** | French National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS)

*House as Ritual Space: The Symbolism of the House and its Protective Systems in Ladakh*

**17:00-18:00** | **Moderation: Hubert Feiglstorfer** | ÖAW ISA

*Discussion*



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## OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>:

**08:00-08:15** | **Hubert Feiglstorfer** | ÖAW ISA  
*Welcome and Introduction*

### GENERAL SPATIAL IMAGINATIONS IN THE TIBETAN BUDDHIST WORLD

**08:15-08:45** | **Petra Maurer** | Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich  
*How Time defines Space. Spatial Organisation in Tibetan Geomancy*

**08:45-09:15** | **Zongwei Xu** | Independent Researcher  
*Tibetan Architectural Space Form Shaped by Religious Thoughts*

**09:15-09:45** | **Rachael Griffiths** | École Pratique des Hautes Études-PSL, CRCAO, Paris  
*Breaking Hard Ground: Earth Rituals and Spatial Transformation*

**09:45-10:15**     *Coffee Break*

### RITUAL SPACES IN BON TRADITIONS

**10:15-10:45** | **Daniel Berounský** | Charles University, Prague  
*Notes on the cosmologies of the Bön tradition*

**10:45-11:15** | **Naljor Tsering** | École Pratique des Hautes Études-PSL, CRCAO, Paris  
*The Center of the World in the Yarlung Valley: A Real and Imagined Fundamental Sacred Landscape in Bon Tradition*

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## RITUAL LANDSCAPE IN TIBET AND CHINA

**11:15-11:45** | **Anna Sehnalova** | Postdoctoral Fellow at the Research Institute for the Humanities, Chinese University of Hong Kong.

*Space of Ancestral Journeys, Acts, and Remains: Landscape as Kinship and Social Organisation*

**11:45-13:15**     *Lunch Break*

**13:15-13:45** | **Ding Boyi** | Vienna University of Technology

*The Interaction between Ecology and Residence: The Material and Spiritual Space Construction of Niru from the "Dwelling Perspective"*

**13:45-14:15** | **Jusa Drölma Chöekyi** | University of Vienna

*The Construction of Ri Bo Rtse Lnga and Its Belief System in Tibetan Texts: Significance in Tibetan Culture and Society*

## MAKING RITUAL SPACES IN BUDDHIST HIMALAYA

**14:15-14:45** | **John Bray** | Independent Researcher

*Building Christianity in the Overlapping Religious and Social Spaces of the Western Himalaya*

**14:45-15:15** | **Mélanie Vandenhelsken** | University of Vienna; CESAHCNRS

*Indigenous Spatial Imagination in the Nepal-Sikkim Borderland Limbu Knowledge, and the Nation-State*

**15:15-15:45**     *Coffee Break*

**15:45-16:15** | **Hubert Feiglstorfer, Christiane Kalantari and Tatjana Bayerova** | ÖAW ISA and University of Applied Arts in Vienna

*Interdisciplinary Insights into the Sacred Space of Tabo Tsuglagkhang*

**16:15-16:45** | **Tsering Drongshar** | ÖAW ISA

*Research on Tibetan Literature about Sacred and Ritual Spaces*

**16:45-17:15** | **Lobsang Yongdan** | ÖAW ISA

*The Ritual Practices and Spaces of the "Grain Year" and "Rhupla" Festivals in Shey, Ladakh*

**17:15-18:00** | **Moderation: Hubert Feiglstorfer** | ÖAW ISA

*Discussion and Conclusion*

