

Dr. Christian JAHODA: Curriculum Vitae

Current Coordinates

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Precis

- Main areas of research: society, polity, economy, material culture, religious, oral, and festival traditions of Tibet and Tibetan-speaking areas of India and Nepal; social anthropology of historical Tibet; oral, written, audiovisual, photographic, visual, cartographic sources on Tibet
- 2008–[2026]: director and PI of five major research projects (worth 1,380,000 Euro)
- 1 monograph; 3 co-authored books; 6 co-edited volumes; 45 articles in scholarly journals and book chapters; 7 book reviews

Academic Education

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| 2003 | University of Vienna: Doctoral degree (ethnology, social and cultural anthropology, Tibetan studies) |
| 1994 | University of Vienna: Masters degree (ethnology, social and cultural anthropology, philosophy and political sciences, Tibetan and Buddhist studies, including Indian and Tibetan art history) |

Career History

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| 2022– | Director and Principal Investigator Austrian Science Fund (ASF) research project P35249 “The Scientific Tibet Legacy of Peter Aufschnaiter”, ISA, AAS
https://www.oeaw.ac.at/isa/the-scientific-tibet-legacy-of-peter-aufschnaiter |
| 2019–2021 | Deputy director, Institute for Social Anthropology (ISA), Austrian Academy of Sciences (AAS), Vienna |
| 2017–2019 | Director, AAS Innovation Fund Research, Science and Society research project “Materiality and Material Culture in Tibet” (ÖAW 4003), ISA, AAS
https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/isa/research/project-archive/materiality-and-material-culture-in-tibet |
| 2014– | Senior Researcher, Institute for Social Anthropology, AAS |
| 2009–2014 | Director and Principal Investigator Austrian Science Fund (ASF) research project P21806-G19 “Society, Power and Religion in Pre-modern Western Tibet”, ISA, AAS |
| 2008–2013 | Director and Principal Investigator Austrian Science Fund (ASF) research project P20637-G15 “Oral and Festival Traditions of Western Tibet: Processes of Cultural Memory and Renewal”, ISA, AAS |
| 2005–2009 | Lecturer, Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna |
| 2005–2007 | Researcher, research project “Political space, socio-economic organisation and religious geography in Western Tibet” (Oesterreichische Nationalbank, Anniversary Fund for the Promotion of Scientific Research) |

	and Teaching, Project No. 10944, Director: Univ.-Prof. Dr. Ernst Steinkellner), Social Anthropology Research Unit, AAS
2004–2005	Co-ordinator at the Center for Interdisciplinary Research and Documentation of Inner and South Asian Cultural History (CIRDIS), University of Vienna
2001–2006	Researcher, ASF Interdisciplinary Research Unit (FSP) "Cultural history of the western Himalaya", University of Vienna
1995–2001	Research collaborator, ASF research projects "Early Indo-Tibetan monastic art in the western Himalaya, 10th to 15th centuries" (1995–1996: P10120-HIS; 1996–1998: P11667-HIS; 1998–2001: P12951-SPR), University of Vienna

Ethnographic Field Work Experience

2005–	Field research in Central Tibet; Ngari Prefecture, Tibet Autonomous Region, PR China; Spiti and Upper Kinnaur, Himachal Pradesh, India; Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir, India; Northwestern Nepal (in total 7 extended field trips; 2018 and 2019 Limi Valley, Humla); numerous archival research trips (Europe, India, PR China, USA)
1990–2005	Field research in Tibetan-speaking areas of Northwestern India (including Spiti and Upper Kinnaur, in total 7 extended field trips); numerous archival research trips (Europe, India and PR China)

Career-related Activities: Workshops, Conferences, Collaborations (selected)

11.2019	Workshop (participant) German-French research project "Social Status in the Tibetan World", Bonn Center for Dependency and Slavery Studies, Bonn University
11.2018	Workshop (co-organiser and participant) "The Social and the Religious in the Making of Tibetan Societies: New Perspectives on Imperial Tibet", FWF SFB Visions of Community, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna
11.2017	Workshop (participant) "Comparative Perspectives on Urban-Rural Relations: Social Practices and Symbolical Representations of Community in Central Europe, Dalmatia, South Arabia and Tibet (1000–1600), FWF SFB Visions of Community", Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna
06.2016	Fourteenth Seminar, International Association for Tibetan Studies, University of Bergen, Norway
2003–2015	Collaboration with Tibetan Academy of Social Sciences / Tsering Gyalpo, Lhasa, Tibet Autonomous Region, China
05.2016	First International Conference on Spiti, Wolfson College, Oxford (participant)
12.2015	History and Organisation of Labour in Tibetan Societies (mid-17 th to mid-20 th centuries), Bonn (participant)
12.2014	Conference (participant) "Property in Tibetan Societies", Paris
07.2014	Conference (participant) Ritual + Narrative + Kingship ÷ Tibet + Surrounding Cultural Area, Munich
11.2013	Colloquium (co-organiser) "Interaction in the Himalayas and Central Asia: Processes of transfer, translation and transformation in art, archaeology,

religion and polity from antiquity to the present day. Third International SEECHAC Colloquium, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna

Grants (selected)

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| 2022–[2026] | Austrian Science Fund (FWF) grant (P35249), “The Scientific Tibet Legacy of Peter Aufschnaiter” |
| 2021 | Austrian Science Fund (FWF) grant (PUB 903-G) “Early West Tibetan Buddhist Monuments” |
| 2017–2019 | Innovation Fund “Research, Science and Society” (ÖAW 4003), “Materiality and Material Culture in Tibet”, Austrian Academy of Sciences |
| 2009–2014 | Austrian Science Fund (FWF) grant (P21806-G19), “Society, Power and Religion in Pre-modern Western Tibet: Interaction, Conflict and Integration” |
| 2008–2013 | Austrian Science Fund (FWF) grant (P20637-G15), “Oral and Festival Traditions of Western Tibet: Processes of Cultural Memory and Renewal” |

Functions (selected)

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| 2016– | (Co-)Editor “Publications in Social Anthropology” Series of the Institute for Social Anthropology at the Austrian Academy of Sciences Press, Vienna |
| 2014–2019 | Research Coordinator “Tibet, Mongolia, Central Asia and Tibetan-speaking Himalaya Regions”, Institute for Social Anthropology, AAS |

Christian Jahoda, m.p. (April 2026)