

Job ID: IKGA142PD220

The Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History of Asia (IKGA) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences (OeAW), Austria's leading non-university research and science institution, is offering a

POSTDOC POSITION (F*M)
in a research project on the sutra commentaries of Kamalasila
(20-40h per week)

starting March 1, 2021.

The Institute for the Cultural and Intellectual History of Asia of the Austrian Academy of Sciences was founded in 1991. It is dedicated to long-term research on Asian cultures. The geographic and cultural area under consideration includes East Asia, Southeast Asia, South Asia and Central Asia. The Institute facilitates research in cultural history and the history of ideas in the disciplines Indology, Tibetology, Sinology, Japanology, Buddhist Studies, Religious Studies and Philosophy. Research at the Institute, concentrated on selected areas of focus, is grounded in primary sources in the relevant languages and avails itself of philological-historical methods enriched with accents derived from cultural studies (*Kulturwissenschaften*).

The position is part of the FWF-funded project "Rationality, Meditation and Liberation in Indian Buddhism: Kamalasila's Scriptural Commentaries in Context" (directed by Prof. Birgit Kellner, PhD).

Your tasks:

- Work on a critical edition of Kamalasila's Vajracchedikatika based on the canonical Tibetan translation and related sources in Sanskrit
- historical contextualization.

Your profile:

- Completed PhD in Indology or Buddhist Studies
- Excellent knowledge of Sanskrit and Tibetan
- Knowledge of Kamalasila's work (demonstrated in publications).
- Knowledge of Japanese and the relevant Japanese-language research literature.

The duration of the position depends on the employment level. The contract terminates with the end of the project at the latest August 31, 2023. We offer an annual gross salary of € 54.453,00 (full-time based) according to the salary scheme of the Austrian Science Fund (FWF).

Please send your application materials including cover letter, curriculum vitae, and list of publications preferably by email as one PDF document to office.ikga@oeaw.ac.at (subject "Application Kamalasila – Job ID: IKGA142PD220) **no later than January 31, 2021.**

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