## Gastvortrag

## Einladung

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## Landscape and Himalayan Cities

The talk is based on the book "Himalayan Cities: Settlement Pattern, Public Places and Architecture". This talk will highlight the role of the landscape of the Himalayan mountains in shaping the spatial culture of the settlement in the Himalayas. Through case studies in different parts of Indian and Nepal Himalayas the questions of urban form and production of public places will be elaborated upon. The role landscape conditions have played in the production of a "city" will be illustrated through various hand drawings and photographs. The characteristics of mass housing, temple and the urban form of British colonial hill stations will also be discussed in the presentation. The talk makes a case for creating alternate narratives of constructing urban histories while understanding the uniqueness of landscape in the Himalayas.

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