

Institut für Asien- und Afrikawissenschaften  
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# Tibet Kolloquium

## Einladung

**Monia Chies**

**Mani-stones of Eastern Tibet.**

**Notes on Tibetan Material Culture.**



Drawing on ethnographic data collected between 2012 and 2015 (for a total amount of 18 months), Monia Chies will introduce her current investigation on the *mani-stones* as an unexplored typology of Tibetan cult objects.

Most of the field-work was carried out at the Tibetan Buddhist site of Gyanak Mani which is a vast shrine-array with tens of thousands of carved, votive stone tablets situated in the Eastern Tibetan area of Yushu (Qinghai Province, Western China). The pilgrimage site has been officially recognized as the “Greatest Mani-Wall in the World” in 2005 (Shanghai Books of Records). Besides providing some fundamental historical and social aspects related to this huge pile of engraved stones, the lecture will be focused on the stone-carving practice and techniques.

Monia Chies is PhD Candidate at the Central Asian Seminar, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin.

**Mittwoch, 3. Februar 2016**

**18.00 Uhr**

Invalidenstr. 118, **Raum 507**  
(S-Bahn Nordbahnhof, U6 Naturkundemuseum)