

# Martin Gaenzle

## Curriculum Vitae

### Current Position

Professor in „Cultural and Intellectual History of Modern South Asia.“ Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies, University of Vienna.

### Personal Data

Place of Birth: Lauffen a. N., Germany

Nationality: German

### Education

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| 1982 | M.A. in Cultural Anthropology, Indology and Philosophy, Heidelberg University  |
| 1989 | Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology, Indology and Philosophy, Heidelberg University |
| 1998 | Habilitation in Cultural Anthropology, Heidelberg University                   |

### Career History

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| 1987 – 1993: | Resident Representative of the South Asia Institute, Heidelberg University, in Nepal     |
| 1993 – 1995: | Assistant professor, Heidelberg University   |
| 1996 – 1998: | DFG-Habilitation Scholarship   |
| 1999 – 2000: | Temporary head of department, Anthropology, South Asia Institute, Heidelberg University  |
| 2000 – 2003: | Research Fellow, Heidelberg University, field work in Banaras, India                     |
| 2004 – 2006: | Research Fellow, Leipzig University, field work in eastern Nepal (CPDP, DOBES Programme) |
| since 2007:  | Professor “Cultural and Intellectual History of Modern South Asia”, University of Vienna |

## Other Positions

- 2010-2014 Speaker of the "Initiativkolleg (IK)" /Graduate School "Cultural Transfers and Intercrossings in the Himalayan Borderlands", University of Vienna ([http://www.univie.ac.at/ik\\_cirdis/](http://www.univie.ac.at/ik_cirdis/))
- 2015- Director of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Research and Documentation of Inner and South Asian Cultural History (CIRDIS), University of Vienna (<http://www.univie.ac.at/cirdis/>)

## Book Publications

- 1991 *Verwandtschaft und Mythologie bei den Mewahang Rai in Ostnepal. Eine ethnographische Studie zum Problem der 'ethnischen Identität'*. (Beiträge zur Südasienforschung 136.) Stuttgart: Steiner Verlag.
- 1999 *Himalayan Space: Cultural Horizons and Practices*, Balthasar Bickel and Martin Gaenzle (Ed.), Zürich: Völkerkundemuseum der Universität Zürich.
- 2000 *Origins and Migrations: Kinship, Mythology and Ethnic Identity Among the Mewahang Rai*. Kathmandu: Mandala Book Point & The Mountain Institute.
- 2002 *Ancestral Voices: Oral Ritual Texts and their Social Contexts among the Mewahang Rai of East Nepal*. Münster, Berlin, London: LIT-Verlag.
- 2004 *Representing Local Histories in the Himalayas* (Ed. Martin Gaenzle). Special Issue, *European Bulletin of Himalayan Research* (25-26).
- 2006 *Visualizing Space in Banaras: Images, Maps, and the Practice of Representation*. Martin Gaenzle and Jörg Gengnagel (Ed.). Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz.
- 2007 *The Power of Discourse in Ritual Performance*. Ulrich Demmer und Martin Gaenzle (Ed.). Münster, Hamburg, Berlin, London: LIT Verlag.
- 2008 (Co-author with Karen Ebert) *Rai Mythology: Kiranti Oral Texts..* Cambridge; Mass.: Harvard University Press. Harvard Oriental Series, vol. 69.
- 2016 (Ed.), *Richard Burghart: The History of Janakpur, A Study of Asceticism and the Hindu Polity*, Kathmandu: Social Science Baha.
- 2018 (Ed.) *Ritual speech in the Himalayas: Oral Texts and their Contexts*. Cambridge, M.A.: Harvard University Press. Harvard Oriental Series vol. 93.
- 2019 *Utpatti ra ādim basāisarāi: pūrvī nepālko mevāhān rāiko nātāsambandha ra jātiya pahicān*. Kathmandu Mewahang Rai Yakhomma. (Nepali translation of Gaenzle 2000/1991).