

## CV Dr. Kurt Tropper

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Research interests: Tibetan epigraphy, history of Western Tibet, Kanjur and Tanjur Studies

### Education

1996 - 2001 Ph.D. program at the University of Vienna in Tibetan and Buddhist Studies  
1991 - 1996 M.A. program at the University of Vienna, majoring in Tibetan and Buddhist Studies (minors include Indology, Linguistics and Anthropology)  
1981 - 1987 Studies at the University of Heidelberg, majoring in Latin and Physical Education; first state examination for the teaching profession at secondary schools

### Career history

Since July 2013 Director of the Austrian Science Fund project "Historical and religious inscriptions in mNga' ris (Western Tibet, PR China)"  
2010-2013 Director of the Austrian Science Fund project "Tibetan Inscriptions", part of the National Research Network "The Cultural History of the Western Himalayas From the 8<sup>th</sup> Century"  
2007 - 2009 Research fellow: Austrian Science Fund project "Tibetan Inscriptions" (director: Prof. Dr. Ernst Steinkellner), part of the National Research Network "The Cultural History of the Western Himalaya From the 8<sup>th</sup> Century"  
2004 - 2006 Research fellow: Austrian Science Fund project "The Cultural History of the Western Himalaya, 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> centuries", subproject on West-Tibetan Inscriptions (director: Prof. Dr. Ernst Steinkellner)  
1998 - 2004 Contractual Assistant Professor (Vertragsassistent) at the Dept. of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies at the University of Vienna

### Career-related activities

Since 1993 ca. 15 field trips to Ladakh/Zaskar, Spiti, Lahaul, Kinnaur (North-India), Humla (Northwest Nepal), Central and Western Tibet (TAR, P.R. China)

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| Since 2001  | Lecturer for Classical Tibetan (introductory and reading courses) at the University of Vienna  |
| April 2006  | Visiting lecturer at the Eötvös Loránd University Budapest (Hungary), Department of Indo-European Studies; intensive Sanskrit reading course: "Highlights of Sanskrit Buddhist Literature" |
| 1996 - 1998 | DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) scholarship for a research project on inscriptions in Central Tibet; enrolled at Sichuan Union University in Chengdu (Aug. 1996 - July 1998)       |

### **Memberships**

- Arbeitskreis für tibetische und buddhistische Studien, Universität Wien
- International Association for Tibetan Studies
- International Association of Ladakh Studies