

## Einladung

zu einem Gastvortrag

von

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über das Thema

### “Old Chang in New Bottles: New Light on the Tibetan Narrative of the Emanational Lineage of Avalokiteśvara”

Countless Tibetan religious masters and major emanational lineages or sPrul-sku hierarchies have identified themselves with Tibet’s celebrated patron Bodhisattva and national saint, Avalokiteśvara, and further back with the Tibetan monarch and national founding figure Srong-btsan-sgam-po. These lineages and eminent religious figures were all to play decisive roles in shaping the political and religious life of Tibet.

The most prominent embodiment of this popular deity patron surely culminated in the universally recognized Dalai Lama lineage, a lineage and cult of the Great Compassionate One that was to legitimize and thus underpin the first theocratic nation-building in Tibet. A compelling narrative central to the national identity of the country, the lecture will offer new intriguing insights regarding the formation and rise of this institution—aspects hitherto unknown to most people.

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