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**PROFESSIONAL**

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- 2010–2015      Lecturer Buddhist Studies at LIAS (Leiden University Institute for Area Studies)
- 2005–2010      Senior Postdoc Research Fellow at LIAS/ CNWS, *Research School for Asian, African and Amerindian Studies*, Leiden University:  
                    NWO Vidi (*Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research*) scheme of subsidies for excellent and innovative research: ‘*The Three Pillars of Bon*’: *Doctrine, ‘Location’ & Founder—Historiographical Strategies and their Contexts in Bon Religious Historical Literature*
- 2002–2005      Postdoc Research Fellow at the CNWS/dept. of TCZCA (*Languages and Cultures of South and Central Asia*), Leiden University:  
                    NWO Project: *Antecedents of Bon religion in Tibet*
- 2000–2001      Affiliated Fellow at the *International Institute for Asian Studies (IIAS)* funded by *Stichting Jan Gonda Fonds*, KNAW—*Royal Netherl. Academy of Arts & Sciences*:  
                    Work on the proceedings of the IATS seminar, published 2002
- 1997–2000      Postdoc Research Fellow at the IIAS, Leiden University:  
                    Project: *An Investigation into the ‘Bon’-Origin of Tibetan Buddhist Speculations regarding a Post-Mortem State called ‘Reality as It Is’*  
                    Convenor 9<sup>th</sup> seminar of the IATS (*International Association for Tibetan Studies*)  
                    Extension postdoc research fellowship at the IIAS Aug 2000–Nov 2000:  
                    concluding work IATS seminar and research
- 1993–1997      Ph.D. research at the CNWS, Leiden University:  
                    Ph.D. Dissertation: *Kar gling Zhi khro, A Tantric Buddhist Concept* (May 1997)

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**EDUCATION**

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- 1987–1992      Leiden University (last two years combined with half time job)  
                    ‘Doctoraal’ (B.A. + M.A.) in Buddhist and Tibetan studies and in Vedic Studies  
                    Asian languages studied: Classical Tibetan, Modern Tibetan, Vedic and Buddhist Sanskrit, Pali, Classical Chinese, and Hindi
- (1985–1987      Interruption: mandatory civil service at a library for the blind, as a conscientious objector to military service)
- 1984–1985      Study Japanese Buddhism at the Zen Studies Society in New York, USA
- 1983–1984      Introductory courses in Theology at the Katholieke Universiteit Nijmegen
- 1979–1983      Biology and Biochemistry at the Katholieke Universiteit Nijmegen

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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Co-organiser lecture series on Tibet, in the Leiden University *Studium Generale: Tibet De Ander, Anders bezien: verkenningen in religie kunst en politiek*, 7 lectures, April–May 2011.

Co-organiser of an international symposium on nativism in Buddhist environments, in EKÔ Haus der japanischen Kultur, Düsseldorf, September 12<sup>th</sup>–14<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Organiser of an editorial meeting for the volume on *Emerging Religions*, Leiden, January 4<sup>th</sup> 2008

Organiser of a panel at the 11<sup>th</sup> seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies (IATS)*, Bonn 2006 (approx. 20 participants): *Emerging Bon, the Formation of Bon Traditions in Tibet at the Turn of the First Millennium AD*

Organiser of the official presentation of the IATS proceedings (22 November 2002): *Appreciating Tibet in the West: academic & popular lectures and cultural market*. Jointly organised by the IAS in cooperation with de Vereniging voor Vrienden van het Instituut Kern, Stichting Rokpa Holland and the CNWS)

Organiser of the ninth Seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies (IATS)*, convened at the IAS, Leiden, from June 24<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup>, 2000): acting chairman of the IATS and convener of the seminar. The IATS seminars are the largest international forum on Tibetan Studies (in Leiden approximately 300 participants and 215 papers).

Member of the editorial board of *Brill's Tibetan Studies Library* (with McKay and Ramble)

Member of the *Curatorium* of the Leiden University *Numata Chair (Bukkyo Dendo Kyokai)*

Founder and moderator of the *Leiden University Buddhist Studies Network (Ning.com)*

Founder and moderator of the *International Network for Bon Studies (Ning.com)*

Founder and moderator of the *Zhang zhung Studies e-mail Forum*

Founder and moderator of the *IATS e-mail Forum*

Former member of preparatory committee for clustering Religious Studies at Leiden University

Former member of the editorial board of *Studia Asiatica* (Bucarest)

Former member of the *CNWS Research Cluster*

Former advisor to the *Bon Virtual Library Project*

Former founder and editor of the *Tibetological Collections & Archives Series* in the *IIAS Newsletter*

Former guest editor of *Berichten uit de Academie (News from the Academy)*, quarterly forum in *Vorm & Leegte (Form & Emptiness)*, a Dutch-language popular Buddhist quarterly)

## LANGUAGES

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### Asian Languages:

- Tibetan (full passive proficiency)
- Modern Tibetan (largely passive, suitable for simple practical conversation)
- Buddhist and Vedic Sanskrit (full passive proficiency)
- Pali (basic working knowledge)
- Chinese (limited to translations from Sanskrit)
- Hindi (mainly passive, merely practical proficiency)

These skills are geared toward working with South and Central Asian Buddhist language materials.

### European languages:

In the order of proficiency: Dutch (native); English (near native); German (full passive proficiency; good conversational skills); and French (very good passive command; limited speaking proficiency).

## TEACHING ACTIVITIES

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Since 2010, I teach the advanced BA Buddhist Studies seminars in Leiden and also participate in the introductory taught course (altogether two to three courses per semester). I teach Buddhist studies across all regions except Japan, but including globalised and other non-Asian forms of Buddhism, and also covering all periods. I furthermore organise tutorials and Tibetan reading colloquia for post-graduate (Ph.D. or Advanced Master's) and advanced students. I have taught advanced students since 2000 and presently supervise two Ph.D. projects.

January 2005 onward, supervision of Kalsang Norbu Gurung, who participated as a CNWS (*Research School for Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies*) Ph.D. candidate in my NWO Vidi (*Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research*) research programme, *The Three Pillars of Bon*.

Date of defense May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011

Preliminary title Ph.D. Research: *The Founder of Bon, The Birth of a Myth*

Promotor: Prof.dr Sasha Lubotsky (Linguistics), Co-promotor: dr Henk Blezer

January 2005 onward, supervision of a Dutch CNWS Ph.D. candidate, Rob Hogendoorn (ML).

Preliminary title Ph.D. Research: *Probing "Mind And Life": A Foundational Inquiry Into A Cross-Cultural Meeting of Indo-Tibetan Buddhism and the Sciences*

Promotor: Prof.dr Wim Drees (Religious Studies), Co-promotor: dr Henk Blezer

2001-2003, preparatory supervision of externally funded Ph.D. candidate from Taiwan; the conclusion and defense took place in Bonn 2009.

In period of 2000-2003: main supervisor of two CNWS AMP (Advanced Master's Programme) candidates within my area of expertise. Both successfully concluded their studies.

2000 onward, formally and informally, I have assisted in exams, officiated at promotions, acted as an advisor to several internal and external MA (more often than not anthropological), fieldwork, and occasionally also to BA writing projects, as required and needed.

## RESEARCH/STUDY ABROAD, WORK WITH INFORMANTS & COLLABORATION

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Scheduled: visit Prof.dr. Tsering Thar, Minzu Un. Beijing (rescheduled: from Dec '09 to '11?).

Brief fieldwork in West and Central Bhutan (Sept. 2009).

Seminar with the head teacher of Menri (Bonpo) Monastery, Lopon Trinley Nyima Rinpoche, Geshe ("Dr. Theology") Nyima Woser, and Geshe Chaphur, in Leiden (April 2009, affiliated to the IAS), also attended by Kalsang Norbu Gurung.

Fieldwork in the Indian Himalayas (Sept–Dec 2008).

Fieldwork in the Indian and Nepalese Himalayas (Sept–Dec 2005).

Collaboration with Dan Martin in Leiden (Jul–Sept 2005).

Collaboration with Samten Gyaltzen Karmay in Leiden (Feb–Jul 2005).

Collaboration with the head teacher of Menri (Bonpo) Monastery, Lopon Trinley Nyima Rinpoche in Leiden (April 2003, affiliated to the IAS) including an informal Q&A colloquium and drinks at Leiden university, open to the general public.

Brief concluding fieldwork in Menri monastery (Oct–Nov 2000).

Fieldwork in Menri monastery Dolanji, Himachal Pradesh, India (Aug 1998–Dec 1998).

Collaboration with Geshe Namgyal Nyima Dagkar from Menri (Bonpo) Monastery in Leiden (January–April 1998, affiliated to the IAS).

Fieldwork amongst refugee Tibetans in Dharamsala, Himachal Pradesh, India (Oct 1996–Jan 1997).

**SUBSIDIES, GRANTS, AWARDS, SPONSORSHIP, ETC.** (when de facto applicant)

- 2006 Conference Grant from the CNWS for attending the 11<sup>th</sup> seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Bonn, August/September 2006
- 2005–2010  
NWO (*Organistatie voor Nederlands Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek: Dutch Research Council*) Vidi programme: prestigious five-year research award for top quality innovative Dutch research; this is a multi-researcher and multidisciplinary research programme (part of the tripartite NWO *Veni, Vidi, Vici* research subsidy scheme, each award doubles the budget of the previous)—a parallel application submitted for the EURYI (EUROpean Young Investigator) Awards competition of EUROHORCS (*European Union Research Organisations Heads of Research Councils*) was ranked eighth in the combined humanities and social sciences panels, drawing from nineteen participating countries (with 25 awards being available for all disciplines), thus including the proposal in the top ten percent in the first European competition for excellence.
- 2004 Institutional enhancement type of grant through the *Leiden University Library* for promoting innovative research, used for the acquisition of Tibetan microfiche form *The Institute for Advanced Studies of World Religions* programme
- 2002 Institutional enhancement type of grant through the *Leiden University library* for promoting innovative research, used for the acquisition of Tibetan microfiche from *The Institute for Advanced Studies of World Religions* programme
- Sponsors of *Appreciating Tibet in the West*, a public seminar and book presentation of the proceedings of the ninth seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*:
1. *International Institute for Asian Studies* (IIAS, Leiden, the Netherlands)
  2. *Research School of Asian, African and Amerindian Studies* (CNWS, Leiden, the Netherlands).
  3. *Stichting Rokpa Holland*
  4. *Vereniging Vrienden van Instituut Kern*, Leiden, the Netherlands
- 2002–2005  
NWO (*Organistatie voor Nederlands Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek: Dutch Research Council*), three-year individual postdoc research subsidy
- 2001 Subsidy by *Stichting Jan Gonda Fonds* (*Jan Gonda Foundation*) at the KNAW (*Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences and Arts*) for work on the proceedings of the ninth seminar of the IATS (*International Association for Tibetan Studies*)
- 2000 Extension IIAS (*International Institute for Asian studies*) postdoctoral research fellowship/fieldwork for three months.
- Grants, subsidies, sponsor money and private donations received for financing the ninth seminar of the IATS (*International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Leiden 2000), in alphabetical order:
1. *Curzon Press*, UK
  2. *Eco-Himal* (Austria & Italy)
  3. *Stichting Eco-operation*, The Netherlands
  4. *Stichting Jan Gonda Fonds* (at KNAW, *Koninklijke Nederlandse Academie voor Wetenschappen: Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences*)
  5. Ms. van Gulik (private donation)
  6. Ms. Hines (private donation)
  7. *Institute for Comparative Research in Human Culture* (Oslo, Norway)
  8. *International Institute for Asian Studies* (IIAS, Leiden, the Netherlands)
  9. *Koninklijke Nederlandse Academie voor Wetenschappen: Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences and Arts* (KNAW)
  10. *Leiden University*, The Netherlands

11. *Network for University Co-operation Norway-Tibet* (Oslo, Norway)
  12. *Oost-Europa Fonds* (at *Prins Bernhard Cultuurfonds*), The Netherlands
  13. *Organistatie voor Nederlands Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek: Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research* (NWO, *Dutch Research Council*)
  14. *Prins Claus Fund*, The Netherlands
  15. *Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies* (CNWS, Leiden, the Netherlands)
  16. *Trace Foundation* (main sponsor of Tibetan and Chinese participants from the PRC), USA
- 1999 Subsidy by *Stichting Jan Gonda Fonds* (*Jan Gonda Foundation*, at the KNAW, *Koninklijke Nederlandse Academie voor Wetenschappen: Royal Netherlands Academy of Sciences and Arts*) and the IAS (*International Institute for Asian studies*) for the acquisition of the newest, so-called third, edition of the complete Bon canon (*bKa' 'gyur* and *bKa' brten*).
- 1998 Research/travel grant from NWO (*Organistatie voor Nederlands Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek: Dutch Research Council*), WOTRO section (*Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek in de Tropen: Scientific Research in Tropical Regions*), three months fieldwork in India (end 1998)
- 1997–2000  
Three-year IAS (*International Institute for Asian studies*) postdoctoral research fellowship, Leiden, the Netherlands.
- 1997 Publication subsidy from LUF (*Leiden University Fund*) defraying expenses of including colour plates in my Ph.D. thesis
- Publication subsidy from the CNWS (*Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies*, Leiden, the Netherlands) toward covering the printing costs for publication of my Ph.D. thesis
- 1996 Research/travel grant from NWO (*Organistatie voor Nederlands Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek: Dutch Research Council*) WOTRO (*Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek in de Tropen: Scientific Research in Tropical Regions*) for three months fieldwork in India (1996–7)
- 1993–1997  
CNWS (*Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies*, Leiden, the Netherlands), four-year Ph.D. research grant
- 1992 Conference/travel grant through *Leiden University* fund, used for attendance at a symposium by Prof.dr Oberhammer on “*Der Tod in der Perspektive der Religionshermeneutik: Tod, Auferstehung, Jīvanmuktiḥ?*”, Wien 1992, Austria

**PUBLICATIONS AND WRITINGS** (\* marks a monograph or edited volume)

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**Academic Works**

In press, forthcoming, in preparation, scheduled

- \*(>'11) In preparation, *Preliminary Explorations of Zhang zhung-related Scripts*, expected: large article or size small monograph, 100+ pages, Leiden >2011.
  - \*(>'11) In preparation, *The Three Pillars of Bon: Doctrine, 'Location' & Founder, Volume I: Doctrine*, Part I: *Antecedents of Bon Religion in Tibet* and Part II: *Tibetan Texts*, in *Brill's Tibetan Studies Library*, presently approx. above 900pp.; volume I of a series of three, Leiden >2011.
  - \*(>'11) In preparation, *The Three Pillars of Bon: Doctrine, 'Location' & Founder, Volume II*, Part I: *Location of Origin* and Part II: *Apparatus*, in *Brill's Tibetan Studies Library*, presently above 400pp.; volume II of a series of three, Leiden >2011.
  - \*('11) Forthcoming: *Emerging Bon: The Formation of Bon Traditions in Tibet at the Turn of the First Millennium AD*, in *PIATS 2006: Tibetan Studies: Proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Halle 2011/12.
  - \*('11) Forthcoming: *Framing Identity Discourse in Buddhist Environments, And the Special Case of Nativist Strategies*, Leiden: Brill 2011/12.
  - \*('11) Forthcoming: *Emerging Religions: Breaking the (Religious) Historical Paradigm*, Leiden: Brill 2011/12.
  - ('11) In press: "Buddhism in the Netherlands: A Brief Resume & Call for Further Research", in *Sambuddhatva Jayanti 2600*, 25 single-spaced A4 pages, Colombo 2011.
  - ('11) Written & forthcoming: "The Paradox of Bon Identity Discourse: Some Thoughts on the rMa Clan and on The Manner of bsGrags pa bon, 'Eternal' Bon, New Treasures, and New Bon", chapter in *Framing Identity Discourse in Buddhist Environments, And the Special Case of Nativist Strategies*, 36pp., Leiden: Brill 2011/12.
  - ('11) Written & forthcoming: "Breaking the Paradigm: Tibetan Bon po-s and their Origin Narratives", chapter in *Emerging Religions: Breaking the (Religious) Historical Paradigm*, 50 single-spaced A4 pages, Leiden: Brill 2011/12.
  - ('11) Written & forthcoming: "The Bon of Bon: Forever Old", in *PIATS 2003: Tibetan Studies: Proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Oxford 2003, 38 pages (excl. ~13 pp. bibliography), forthcoming Halle 2011/12.
  - ('11) Written & forthcoming: "Introduction", in *Framing Identity Discourse in Buddhist Environments, And the Special Case of Nativist Strategies*, 27pp., Leiden: Brill 2011/2012.
  - ('11) Written & forthcoming: "Creation of a Myth: The Zhang zhung Empire of the Bon po-s: Khyung lung dngul mkhar" in *PIATS 2006*, 58pp. (excl. ~16pp. bibliography), forthcoming Halle 2011/12.
  - ('11) In press: "It All Happened in Myi yul skyi mthing: A Crucial Nexus of Narratives—The Proto-Heartland of Bon?", in *Namgyal Institute of Tibetology Jubilee Conference volume*, 16 single-spaced A4 pages, Gangtok 2011.
  - ('11) In press: "'Light' on the Human Body; The Coarse Physical Body and its Functions in the Aural Transmission from Zhang zhung on the Six Lamps", paper at the ICTAM VII (IASTAM) conference on "Asian Medicine: Cultivating Traditions and the Challenges Of Globalisation", Institute of Traditional Medicine Services, Thimphu Bhutan, September 7th–11th, 2009, in the *IASTAM Journal of Asian Medicine*, 52 single-spaced A4 pages, Leiden: Brill 2011.
- Published
- 2011 "The Two Conquests of Zhang zhung and the Many Lig-Kings of Bon: A Structural Analysis of the *Bon ma nub pa'i gtan tshigs*, in *L'écrit au Tibet, évolution et devenir*, in *Collectanea Himalayica*, Vol.3, pp.19–63, München 2011.
  - 2011 "A Brief Bibliographical Key to Zhang Zhung Snyan Rgyud Editions with Special Attention for Sources on the Early Lineage", in *Revue d'Etudes Tibétaines* 20(April 2011), pp.135–203.

- 2010 “Greatly Perfected, in Space and Time: Historicities of the Bon Aural Transmission from Zhang zhung”, in *The Earth Ox Papers*, a special issue of LTWA 2009 proceedings in *The Tibet Journal* edited by Roberto Vitali, Autumn 2009, vol. XXXIV n.3 – Summer 2010, vol. XXXV n.2, pp.71–160.
- 2010 “William of Ockham, Jan van Gorp and Tibetan Studies: Some Notes on Dating the *mDo 'dus*”, in *Études tibétaines en l'honneur d'Anne Chayet*, edited by J.-L. Achard, in *Hautes Etudes Orientales - Extrême Orient* Vol.49, pp.1-50, Genève: Librairie Droz, 2010.
- 2009 “The Silver Castle Revisited—A Few Notes”, in *Acta Orientalia*, Vol.70 (2009), pp.217–23, Novus: Oslo.
- 2009 “A Preliminary Report on Investigations into (*Bon nyid*) '*Od gsal-* and *Zhi khro bar do* in Earlier (*Zhang zhung*) *sNyan rgyud*-Literature”, originally forthcoming in the *Proceedings of the Eighth Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies*, August 1998 in Bloomington Indiana, U.S.A, 23pp., submitted 1999, forthc. Bloomington, but meanwhile published in *RET (Revue d'Etudes Tibétaines)*, Vol.17 (November 2009), pp.21–50.
- 2008 “*sTon pa gShen rab*: Six Marriages and Many More Funerals”, in *RET (Revue d'Etudes Tibétaines)*, Vol.15 (November 2008), pp.421–79, Paris 2008.
- 2007 “Heaven my Blanket, Earth my Pillow—Wherever Rin po che Lays his Head down to Rest is the Original Place of Bon”, in *Acta Orientalia*, Vol.68 (2007), pp.75-112, Hermes: Oslo.
- 2007 “Brief Outlook: Desiderata in the Study of the History of Tibetan Medicine”, in *Soundings in Tibetan Medicine: Anthropological and Historical Perspectives, PIATS 2003: Tibetan Studies: Proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Oxford 2003, pp.427-38, Leiden 2007.
- 2005 “Foreword” to *Spirit-mediums, Sacred Mountains and Related Bon Textual Traditions in Upper Tibet: Calling Down the Gods*, by Bellezza, J.V., in *Brill's Tibetan Studies Library* 8, pp.v–vii, Leiden 2005.
- 2003 “Karma Gling pa: Treasure Finder (*gTer sTon*), Creative Editor (*gTer sTon?*)—A Preliminary Comparison of the *Man ngag snying gi dgongs pa rgyal ba'i bka' zhes bya ba'i rgyud* and Two *Bar do thos grol chen mo*-Texts: ..., in *East and West*, vol.52, nos.1–4 (December 2002), pp.311–45; cf. scrambled version in *Reading Asia: New Research in Asian Studies*, pp.292-338, Leiden 2001.

**Main editor of three volumes of general proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies (IATS), Leiden 2000, pt.1–3:**

- \*2002 Blezer, H. (ed.) & Zadoks, A. (ass. ed.), *Tibet, Past and Present: Tibetan Studies I* (in *PIATS 2000: Tibetan Studies: Proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Leiden 2000, pt.1) in *Brill's Tibetan Studies Library* edited by Blezer, McKay & Ramble, vol.2, pt.1, Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 H. Blezer & Zadoks, A. eds., *Religion and Secular Culture in Tibet: Tibetan Studies II*, (PIATS 2000.2), BTSL, vol.2, pt.2, Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 Ardussi, J., & Blezer, H., (eds.), & Zadoks, A. (ass. ed.), *Impressions of Bhutan and Tibetan Art: Tibetan Studies III*, (PIATS 2000.3), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.3, Leiden 2002.

**Managing editor of seven special volumes of panel proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies (IATS), Leiden 2000, pt.4–10:**

- \*2002 Epstein, L. (ed.), *Khams pa Histories: Visions of People, Place and Authority* (in *PIATS 2000: Tibetan Studies: Proceedings of the International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Leiden 2000, pt.4) in *Brill's Tibetan Studies Library* edited by Blezer, McKay & Ramble, vol.2, pt.4: Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 Huber, T. (ed.), *Amdo Tibetans in Transition: Society and Culture in the Post-Mao Era* (PIATS 2000.5), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.5, Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 Beckwith, Chr. (ed.), *Medieval Tibeto-Burman Languages* (PIATS 2000.6), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.6, Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 Klimburg-Salter, D., & Allinger, E. (eds.), *Buddhist Art and Tibetan Patronage from the Ninth to Fourteenth Centuries* (PIATS 2000.7), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.7, Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 Klieger, P.Ch. (ed.), *Tibet, Self, and The Tibetan Diaspora: Voices of Difference* (PIATS 2000.8), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.8, Leiden 2002;

- \*2002 Buffetrille, K., & Diemberger, H. (eds.), *Territory and Identity in Tibet and the Himalaya* (PIATS 2000.9), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.9, Leiden 2002;
- \*2002 Eimer, H., & Germano, D. (eds.), *The Many Canons of Tibetan Buddhism* (PIATS 2000.10), in BTSL, vol.2, pt.10, Leiden 2002.
- (2001 “*Karma gling pa*: Treasure Finder (*gTer ston*), Creative Editor (*gTer ston?*), in *Reading Asia: New Research in Asian Studies*, pp.292-338, Leiden 2001; see *East and West* 2003.)
- 2000 “The ‘Bon’ *dBal mo Nyer bdun*(/brgyad) and the *Buddhist dBang phyug ma Nyer brgyad*, a Brief Comparison”, in *New Horizons in Bon Studies*, pp.117–178, Osaka 2000.
- (’99 “A Preliminary Report on Investigations into (*Bon nyid*) ‘*Od gsal-* and *Zhi khro bar do* in Earlier (*Zhang zhung*) *sNyan rgyud*-Literature”, forthcoming in the Proceedings of the eighth Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies August 1998 in Bloomington Indiana, U.S.A., 23pp., submitted 1999 forthc. Bloomington; see *RET* 2009.)
- 1999 “Book Review of Mayer, R. (1996), A Scripture of the Ancient *Tantra* Collection, The *Phur-pa bcu-gnyis*”, Oxford 1996, in *Indo-Iranian Journal*, vol.42 (1999), no.3, pp.275–279.
- 1998 “Some Further Reflections on *Kar gling Zhi khro*: a study of sources referred to in Dan Martin’s review of *Kar gling Zhi khro: A Tantric Buddhist Concept*”, in *Tibet Journal*, Vol.23, pp.134–143, Winter 1998.
- \*1997 *Kar gliñ Ži khro*, A *Tantric Buddhist* Concept, Ph.D.-Thesis, published in CNWS publications, Vol.56, Leiden 1997.
- (\*’93) *Ži khro Nēs don sÑiñ po*, unpublished M.A.-thesis, two volumes, Leiden 1993.
- 1992 “*Prāṇa*, Aspects of Theory and Evidence for Practice in Late-*Brāhmanical* and Early-*Upaniṣadic* Thought”, in *Ritual, State and History in South Asia, Essays in Honour of J.C. Heesterman*, edited by A.W. v.d. Hoek, D.H.A. Kolff, and M.S. Oort, *Memoirs of the Kern Institute* No.5, pp.20–49, Leiden 1992.
- (’91) “Book Review of Sakuma, H.S. (1990), *Die Āśrayaparivṛtti-Theorie in der Yogācārabhūmi*, two volumes, Alt- und Neu-Indische Studien Vol.40, I&II, Stuttgart 1990”, 4pp., forthcoming in the *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies*.

#### Non-Academic Works (some in Dutch)

- 2010 “Polderboeddhisme bruist van leven”, bijdrage aan Podium, Trouw, 4 maart 2010, katern 2. pagina 38.
- 2010 “Vage boeddhisten”, lezersbrief, Trouw, 17 februari 2010, katern 2, pagina 28.
- 2007 “Imagining the Beyond, Beyond Imagination”, in *Bon, The Magic Word: The Indigenous Religion of Tibet*, edited by Samten G. Karmay and Jeff Watt, pp.180–207, New York: RMA 2007.
- 2006 “Wie zijn de Tibetaanse Bönpo’s (Who are the Tibetan Bönpos)?”, in *Berichten uit de Academie* (News from the Academy), quarterly academic forum in *Vorm & Leegte* (*Form & Emptiness*), a Dutch-language popular Buddhist quarterly; Vol.12.1, p.9.
- (’05) Translation of *dGe spyod ’phags nor bdun gyi nang tshan skyabs ’gro’i rnam bshad nyung bsdus rab gsal nyi ’od ces bya ba bzhugs so* (A Brief Explanation of Taking Refuge, A Subsection of the Seven Noble Jewels of Religious Practice Called the Bright Sunshine), 20pp., for the sMan ri Slob dpon, to be published for use in the religious community abroad.
- (’05) Translation of *rDzogs chen ’od gsal gling gi sngon ’gro’i rim pa* (The Stages of Preliminary Practice for the Great Perfection Temple of Clear Light) for the sMan ri Slob dpon, to be published for use in the religious community abroad, particularly for Dzogchen Wodseling Temple.
- 2005 *Berichten uit de Academie* (News from the Academy), quarterly academic forum in *Vorm & Leegte* (*Form & Emptiness*), a Dutch-language popular Buddhist quarterly; starting date of the academic forum: 2005–2007, Vol.10.2–12.1; eight issues in total.
- 2005 “Openbare Colleges Samten Gyaltzen Karmay (Public Lectures Samten Gyaltzen Karmay)”, first contribution to *Berichten uit de Academie* (News from the Academy), in *Vorm & Leegte* (*Form & Emptiness*), announcement Numata visiting fellowship Samten Gyaltzen Karmay, at Leiden University, Winter 2005, Vol.10.2, p.9



- 2005 “Tussen de Regels (Between the Lines)”, contribution to “Westerse Wetenschap voor Tibetaanse Monniken (Western Science for Tibetan Monks)” by Rob Hogendoorn (P.D. student), thematic issue *Vorm & Leegte (Form & Emptiness)*, Winter 2005, Vol.10.2, p.42
- 2003 Tibet Chapter in *Vijfentwintig Eeuwen Oosterse Filosofie (Twenty five Centuries Eastern Philosophy, Companion volume to Twenty-five Centuries Western Philosophy)*, pp.191–271, Amsterdam 2003.
- 2001 “Report of the Ninth Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies”, Leiden, June 24th–30th, 2000, *Studia Asiatica*, Vol.I, no.12, pp.37–42.
- 2001 “The Bon Virtual Library Project”, in the “Tibetological Collections & Archives Series”, *IIAS Newsletter* 25, July 2001, pp.18f. (series number six).
- 2000> “Tibetological Collections & Archives Series”, introduction to series, in the *IIAS Newsletter* 21>, Leiden, eleven contributions.
- 2000 “The Ninth Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies”, in the *IIAS Newsletter* 23, October 2000, p.41.
- 1999 “Symposium, ‘New Horizons in Bon Studies’”, Osaka, Japan, conference report, in the *IIAS Newsletter* 20, Leiden, November 1999, p.15.
- 1999 “The Ninth Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies”, Leiden, June 24th–30th, 2000, conference announcement, in the *IIAS Newsletter* 19, Leiden, June 1999, p.14.
- (’99) “Thirty Golden Rules for Reviewers”, in the *IIAS Newsletter* ?, Leiden, ?, p.?.
- (’98) “The Eighth Seminar of the International Association for Tibetan Studies”, conference report, in the *IIAS Newsletter* ?, Leiden, ?, p.?.
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- (’98) Translation, re-translation and editing of previous translations of important prayers of Menri Monastery into a prayer book, 29pp. for daily use. Composed on request of the abbot of Menri, sMan ri khri 'dzin Lung rtogs bstan pa'i nyi ma Rin po che.
- (’98) *Some Thoughts on the Tibetan Concepts of Bla or ‘Soul’*, 7pp., a paper composed on request of the abbot of Menri, sMan ri khri 'dzin Lung rtogs bstan pa'i nyi ma Rin po che, to be used by the abbot for his presentation at The First International Congress on Tibetan Medicine (ICTM), Revealing the Art of the Medicine Buddha, in Washington DC, November 7–9, 1998.
- (’97) *Enkele Overwegingen aangaande rNying ma Literatuur, gTer ma-Tradities bij de ‘Oude Sekte’ (Considerations regarding rNying ma-Literature: gTer ma-Traditions in the ‘Old Sect’)*, 14pp., unpublished 1997.
- 1994 “Voorstellingen aangaande een ‘Toestand van de Dood’ in Tibetaans Buddhistische Bar do-literatuur (Ideas regarding a State of Death in Tibetan Buddhist Bar do-Literature)”, summarised in “Hoe het is om dood te zijn, De Dood Belicht op Bijeenkomst Vrienden van het Boeddhisme (What is it Like to be Dead, A Closer Examination of Death at a Meeting of the Foundation Friends of Buddhism)”, in *Saddharma, Tijdschrift over boeddhisme*, January 1994, pp.19–25, Wassenaar 1994.
- \*1994 Baasten, M., and Blezer, H. eds, *CNWS 1994 Almanak (CNWS 1994 Yearbook)*, Leiden 1994.
- 1994 *De Verheven Dhāraṇī Genaamd: Het Armsieraad van het Hoogste Overwinningsbanier (The Lofty Dhāraṇī called: The Shoulder Ornament of the Supreme Banner of Victory)*, introduction with tentative transliteration and translation, Leiden 1993, a summary was published in a limited collector’s edition, with a print on cloth from the original wood-block of the Tibetan prayer-flag, 17pp., Driehuis 1994.
- 1993 “De Eerste Leerrede van de *Buddha*, Het in Beweging Zetten van het Wiel van de Leer, Het *Dhammacakkappavattana*, uit de *Mahāvagga* van het *Vinaya-piṭaka* (The first Discourse of the *Buddha*: Putting into Motion of the Wheel of Teaching: The *Dhammacakkappavattana* from the *Mahāvagga* in the *Vinaya-piṭaka*)”, annotated translation, 30pp., for *Syllabus* (course materials) *Boeddhisme*, Kern Institute 1993.

## PAPERS, PUBLIC LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS, INTERVIEWS, ETC.

2011

April: Lecture in *Studium Generale: Tibet De Ander, Anders bezien: verkenningen in religie kunst en politiek: Tibet en haar Dodenboeken -schilderingen, en –rituelen*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

April: Radio interview by Fred Gales on the lecture en lecture series mentioned above (edited into 15 minutes): *De Middenweg (The Middle Path) BOS (Boeddhistische Omroep Stichting: Buddhist Broadcast, The Netherlands)*, Radio 5

March: Paper at international conference on “Between Empire and *Phyi dar*: the Fragmentation and Reconstruction of Society and Religion in Post-imperial Tibet”, paper title: “What Pillars of Identity Discourse Do and Don’t, Bon from the 10th c. AD, and Some Dos and Don’ts”, March 1-4, 2011, Lumbini International Research Institute (LIRI), Nepal, March 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011

2010

June: Radio interview by Fred Gales (edited into 30 minutes): *De Middenweg (The Middle Path) BOS (Boeddhistische Omroep Stichting: Buddhist Broadcast, The Netherlands)*, Radio 5, *Henk Blezer over chöd*

2009

November: Paper at international conference on “Exploring Tibet’s History and Culture”, paper title: “*Dus gsum sangs rgyas 'byung khungs kyi mdo*”, Delhi University and the Central University for Tibetan Studies, Delhi, India, 19th–21st November, 2009

September: Paper at ICTAM VII (IASTAM) conference on “Asian Medicine: Cultivating Traditions and the Challenges Of Globalisation”, paper title: “‘Light’ on the Human Body; The Coarse Physical Body and its Functions in the Aural Transmission from Zhang zhung on the Six Lamps”, Institute of Traditional Medicine Services, Thimphu Bhutan, September 7th–11th, 2009

September: Invited paper at international conference on “Tibetan and Himalayan Studies”, conference for commemoration of 50 years exile, paper title: “Greatly Perfected, in Space and Time: Historicities of the Bon Aural Transmission from Zhang zhung”, Dharamsala, H.P., India, 3rd–5th May, 2009

April: Meeting on Emerging Bon project with scholars from Menri Monastery, Geshe Nyima Woser, Menri Ponlop Rinpoche, and Geshe Chaphur, also attended by Kalsang Norbu Gurung

2008

October: Invited paper at an international symposium on the “Buddhist Himalaya: Studies in Religion, History and Culture”, Jubilee Conference of the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology Gangtok, paper title: “It All Happened in Myi yul skyi mthing: A Crucial Nexus of Narratives Pointing at the Proto-Heartland of Bon?”, Sikkim, October 1st–5th 2008

September: Paper at international symposium (co-organiser, together with Prof.dr Mark Teewen) on ‘nativism’ in Buddhist environments, paper title: “The Paradox of Bon Identity Discourse: Some Thoughts on the rMa Clan and on (b)sGrags pa bon lugs, gTer gsar, Bon gsar and g-Yung drung Bon”, in EKÔ Haus der Japanischen Kultur, Düsseldorf, September 12th–14th 2008

May: Invited paper at international conference on “Publishing and Editing: The Evolution and Future of Writing in Tibet”, paper title: “The Two Conquests of Zhang zhung and the Many Lig-Kings of Bon: A Structural Analysis of the Bon ma nub pa'i gtan tshigs”, Paris, France, 29th–31st May, 2008

March: Invited lecture for a workshop on the role of prayer beads in different cultures and communities, organized by Gillian Vogelsang, lecture title: “Tibetan Prayer Beads: A Few Notes on Their Uses, Appearance and Interpretation”, Textile Research Center, Thursday March 27th 2008

March: Invited lecture in the Distinguished Guest Lecturer Series, entitled “The Advent of Buddhism in Tibet” at The Oriental Institute, University of Oxford, UK: “The Hunting of the rMa (An Agony in 8 Fits): Narrating the Centre of Bon—Narrating Bon out of the Centre” March 7th 2008

2007

October: Radio interview by Fred Gales (edited into 30 minutes): *De Middenweg (The Middle Path)* BOS (*Boeddhistische Omroep Stichting: Buddhist Broadcast*, The Netherlands), Radio 747 AM, *Droom van een Ideale Staat: Boeddhisme en Koningschap, 'Staatsvorming' en Geweld—themareeks over democratie (The Dream of an Ideal State: Buddhism, Kingship, 'State'-formation, and Violence—Thematic series on democracy)*

September: Radio interview by Fred Gales (edited into 30 minutes): *De Middenweg (The Middle Path)* BOS (*Boeddhistische Omroep Stichting: Buddhist Broadcast*, The Netherlands), Radio 747 AM, Henk Blezer over de Dop-Dop (Henk Blezer on Dop-Dop)

March: Lecture at SOAS, London, for the *Circle of Tibetan and Himalayan Studies*, topic: “Where are the Bonpos from: Locating the Ancient Heartland of Bon”

2006

August/September: panel at the 11<sup>th</sup> seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*, Bonn 2006 (approx. 20 participants): *Emerging Bon, the Formation of Bon Traditions in Tibet at the Turn of the First Millennium AD*; paper title: “Creation of a Myth: The Zhang zhung Empire of the Bon po s: Khyung lung dngul mkhar”

2005

September: Radio interview by Fred Gales (edited into 30 minutes): *De Middenweg (The Middle Path)* BOS (*Boeddhistische Omroep Stichting: Buddhist Broadcast*, The Netherlands), Radio 747 AM, on my NWO Vidi Research Project *The Three Pillars of Bon*

September: Paper at ‘Sacred Texts’ Workshop, paper title: “The Case Of ‘Early Bon’”, new research group on *Emerging Religions* at the CNWS (*Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies*), Leiden, the Netherlands, September 1st 2005

2003

September: Paper at the 10<sup>th</sup> seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*, paper title: “The Bon of Bon: Forever Old”, St. Hugh's college, Oxford, UK, September 6th–12th 2003

2002

October: Opening address and master of ceremonies at *Appreciating Tibet in the West*, public seminar and book presentation of the proceedings of the ninth seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*, at *Leiden University*

2001

March: Radio Interview by Egbert van Keulen (edited into 15 minutes), BOS Radio (*Boeddhistische Omroep Stichting: Buddhist Broadcast*, The Netherlands) at the occasion of a visit by the Dalai Lama to the Netherlands

2000

June: Several formal addresses and short presentations in the capacity of convener of the 9<sup>th</sup> seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*, IAS Leiden, The Netherlands, June 24th–30th 2000

1999

August: Paper at the Symposium *New Horizons in Bon Studies*; paper title: “The ‘Bon’ *dBal mo Nyer bdun(/brgyad)* and the *Buddhist dBang phyug ma Nyer brgyad*, A Brief Comparison”, Minpaku, Osaka, Japan, August 23rd–27th 1999

1998

July: Paper at the 8<sup>th</sup> seminar of the *International Association for Tibetan Studies*, paper title: “A Preliminary Report on Investigations into Bon nyid and Zhi khro bar do in Earlier (Zhang zhung) sNyan rgyud-Literature”, Bloomington, Indiana, USA, July 25th–31st 1998

1997

August: “Enkele Overwegingen aangaande rNying ma Literatuur, *gTer ma*-Tradities bij de ‘Oude Sekte’ [Some Considerations regarding rNying ma-Literature: *gTer ma*-Traditions in the ‘Old Sect’]”, public lecture (90 minutes) for *Nyingma Centrum Nederland* (Nyingma Centre, Amsterdam, the Netherlands)

1996

June: Computer aided presentation on digital publication of research results in compiled MSWindows Help format for fellow Ph.D. students of the CNWS (*Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies*, Leiden, the Netherlands)

May: “The (Host of) Peaceful and Wrathful Deities According to Karma gling pa, (*Kar gling zhi khro*), A Tantric Buddhist Concept”, brief academic presentation aided by visual means (20 minutes) for fellow Ph.D. students and staff of the CNWS (*Research School of Asian, African, and Amerindian Studies*, Leiden, the Netherlands)

1995

January: “De Schare van Vredige en Toornige Godheden (*Zhi ba dang khro bo'i lha tshogs*) II [The Host of Peaceful and Wrathful Deities (*Zhi ba dang khro bo'i lha tshogs*) II]”, academic lecture (45 minutes) for the research cluster *Values and Words: Religious Values and Their Influence on Indian Culture*, at Leiden University

1993

November: “Voorstellingen aangaande een ‘Toestand van de Dood’ in Tibetaans Buddhistische Bar do-literatuur (Ideas regarding a State of Death in Tibetan Buddhist Bar do-Literature)”, public lecture (45 minutes) at a seminar on Death of the “*Stichting Vrienden van het Boeddhisme*” [*Foundation Friends of Buddhism*]

February: “The Host of Peaceful and Wrathful Deities (*Zhi ba dang khro bo'i lha tshogs*), A Tantric Buddhist Concept”, academic presentation (25 minutes) at a seminar for (prospective) Ph.D. students of the *Department for Languages and Cultures of South and Central Asia* at Leiden University

N.B., Attendance at conferences as an observer is not listed