

全球变化与区域挑战——青藏高原牧区的可持续发展

Sustainable Livelihoods in Tibetan Pastoral Areas – Global Change and Local Challenges

**Formerly scheduled for Sept. 2009 in Xining,
will now be held on 2/3 Dec. in Halle, Germany**

中国藏学研究中心社会经济研究所 和 德国莱比锡 大学东方学 SFB586 联席会议

Conference jointly organized by the Collaborative Research Centre SFB 586 *Difference and Integration* (Leipzig/Halle, Germany) and by the Institute of Eco-society Research of the China Tibetology Research Center (Beijing, China)

Date: 2nd to 4th December 2009
2009年12月02日 至 2009年12月04日
Venue: Hallescher Saal, Halle University, City of Halle (Sachsen-Anhalt), Germany

Livelihoods on the Tibet-Qinghai Plateau, for long characterized by pastoral animal husbandry, are currently undergoing profound transformations, caused by a multitude of climatic, ecological, economic, demographic, and social factors, as well as by various interventions aiming at environmental stabilization and local livelihood improvement. Locally, the intersection of these processes may have various, both intended and unintended, and sometimes contradictory effects. Local stakeholders, scientists, and policy-makers have become increasingly aware of these consequences and are looking for approaches to support an ecologically, economically and socially sustainable development of the pasture areas. To understand livelihoods in Tibetan pastoral areas, a multidisciplinary approach is imperative, in order to grasp the influence of global, regional and local change processes as well as to identify both new chances and challenges that pastoral societies face in the context of these transformations.

It is, thus, the workshop's objective to bring together expertise on Tibetan pastoral areas, combining various scholarly disciplines such as geography, biology, ecology, economy, anthropology, among others. For three days (September 10-12, 2009), we will bring together an international group of Chinese and western experts to discuss aspects of local livelihoods, livelihood security, change processes, and strategies for the promotion of sustainability. The workshop is understood as a forum for both scholarly exchange and debate with local and regional stakeholders. The workshop is structured by four major conceptual objectives:

1. to analyse, from an interdisciplinary perspective, the multi-layered processes of ecological, economical and social change in Tibetan pastoral areas,
2. to outline repercussions that major transformations have on livelihood security & daily life,
3. to identify potentials, issues, and risks related to social, economical and ecological sustainability that local livelihood systems are facing,
4. to open up constructive debate between scholars, stakeholders (such as local NGOs) and policy-makers, discussing possibilities and strategies how to further support livelihood sustainability.

Time schedule of the workshop

2009年12月1日

Tuesday 01-12-2009:	Afternoon	Arrival and hotel check-in of the participants from outside Qinghai province
	19.00	Welcoming the participants in the hotel
	20.00	Dinner

2009年12月2日

Wednesday 02-12-2009:	09.00-09.30	Greeting Ceremony
	09.45-12.30	Session I – Socio-Economic Transformation in the Tibetan Highlands
	13.00	Lunch
	14.30-17.30	Session II - Livelihood Security, Livestock, and the Pastures
	19.00	Dinner

2009年12月3日

Thursday 03-12-2009:	9.00-12.00	Session III - Perspectives on Sustainable Livelihood Development
	12.30	Lunch
	14.00-17.00	Round Table: Sustainable Livelihoods and Tibetan Pastoralists – Science and Practice
	19.00	Farewell Dinner

2009年12月4日

Friday 04-12-2009:	9.00-12.00	Final Discussion - Perspectives
	12.30	Lunch
	19.00	Farewell Dinner

2009年12月5日

Saturday 05-12-2009:	morning	Departure
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Upon presentation of receipts, the invitees will get their travel cost reimbursed. Please understand that not all reimbursements might be handled in one day. You will get informed about the necessary procedures after your arrival and in the course of the conference.

Invitees will get a formal invitation letter for visa application at the German embassy in Beijing. Please note that we have no possibility to shorten visa procedures there. We will, however, assist you with any possible advice. For flight booking we may have recommendations notably by Prof. Luorong Zhandui in Beijing. Hotel rooms and meals in Halle will be booked and directly paid by us.

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The conference is open for all scholars and practitioners interested in research on livelihoods of Tibetan pastoralists. Further contributions in form of presentations and papers are welcome, yet their being considered depends on the time available during the conference.