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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call for Abstracts: Workshop of Women Researchers-2024

Abstract submission deadline: 8 January 2024 (23 Poush 2080)
Full Paper submission deadline: 1 March 2024 (18 Falgun 2080)
Workshop date: 17 March 2024 (4 Chaitra 2080), Sunday

Workshop venue: Martin Chautari, 27 Jeet Jung Marg, Thapathali, Kathmandu.

Organised by: Martin Chautari

For abstract and paper submission, please send via email at: mcannualconf@gmail.com;
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Application deadline: 22 January 2024

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PhD Dissertation Prize 2024.

Submission deadline: 16 February 2024

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Proposals are invited for the thirteenth **Annual Kathmandu Conference on Nepal and the Himalaya**, organised by [Social Science Baha](#), [Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies](#), [Britain-Nepal Academic Council](#), Centre for South Asian and Himalayan Studies-CNRS & Nepal Academic Network (Japan).

Conference dates: 24–26 July 2024 | **Abstract submission deadline:** 15 January 2024

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Conference dates: 15–16 February 2024 | **Abstract submission deadline (extended):** 15 January 2024

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Labour Migration Market and Policy Failure

A Comparative Study of the Philippines and Nepal
Santosh Adhikari & Bimala Khatri
Journal of International Development, 2023
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Gender or Gendered Demand of Care?

Migration Decision-Making Processes of Nepali Care Workers
Sanjaya Aryal
Gender Issues, 40, 2023
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People's Experience Towards the Federal System in Gandaki Province, Nepal

Girdhari Dahal
Kalika Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies, 5, 2023
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Mediatization and Cultural Change in Nepal

Jivan Dhungana
Interdisciplinary Journal of Management and Social Sciences, 4:2, 2023
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Structural Approach in International Relations and Its Limits

Domestic Variables as an Alternative Approach
Rudra Prasad Dhungel
Interdisciplinary Journal of Management and Social Sciences, 4:2, 2023
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Impact of Men's Out-Migration on Women's Participation in Community Forestry

Insights from Rural Nepal
Narayan Prasad Gautam, Nirjala Raut, Bir Bahadur Khanal Chhetri & Nirmal Kumar Raut
FORMATH, 22, 2023
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Women's Oral Music Traditions in South Asia

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Subash Giri
Asian Journal of Social Science and Management Technology, 5:6, 2023
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Rural and Agricultural Mechanisation in the Himalayan Rural Economy

The Spread of Small Engines in the Nepal Mid-Hills
Scott E Justice, Stephen Biggs & Robin L Heath
Economic and Political Weekly, 58:25-26, 2023
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Impact of 2015 Earthquake on the Shifts in Internal and International

Relations of Nepal
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COVID-19 and Changing Rural Livelihoods in Nepal's Mid-Hills
Dil Khatri, Kristina Marquardt, Harry Fischer, Sanjaya Khatri, Devanshi Singh & Dilli Prasad Poudel
Frontiers in Human Dynamics, 5, 2023
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Translocal Resource Governance, Social Relations and Aspirations

Linking Translocality and Feminist Political Ecology to Explore Farmer-Managed Irrigation Systems and Migration in Nepal
Stephanie Leder
Geoforum, 148, 2024
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The Impact of Decentralisation on Health Systems

A Systematic Review of Reviews
Sujata Sapkota, Amshu Dhakal, Simon Rushton, Edwin van Teijlingen, Sujan B Marahatta, Julie Balen & Andrew CK Lee
BMJ Global Health, 8:12, 2023
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Educational Intermediaries and Casualization of Nepali Student Workforce in Japan
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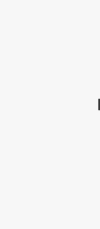
The Role of Local Government in Tackling a Global Pandemic

A Lesson from Nepal
Anil Sigdel, Ustav Kharel & Thatcher Ng'ong'a
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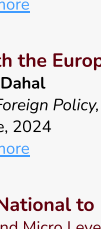
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 An Interdisciplinary Journal
 Vol 9, No. 1, 2023
 Department of Languages and Mass Communication, School of Arts, Kathmandu University
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HIMALAYA
 Special Issue – Writing with Care: Ethnographies from the Margins of Tibet and the Himalayas
 Vol 43, No. 1, 2023
 The Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies (ANHS)
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The Politics of Post-Disaster Reconstruction of Heritage

Planning and Funding Mechanisms in Bhaktapur, Nepal, in the Aftermath of the 2015 Gorkha Earthquake
Vanicka Arora
 In *Routledge Handbook on Cultural Heritage and Disaster Risk Management*, edited by Rohit Jigyasu & Ksenia Chmutina
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Multilingual Education at the Meso and Micro Levels of Western Nepal
Naomi Fillmore & Janu Raj Paudel
 In *Multilingual Education in South Asia: At the Intersection of Policy and Practice*, edited by Lina Adinolfi, Usree Bhattacharya & Prem Phyak
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 In *Climate, Science and Society*, edited by Zeke Baker, Tamar Law, Mark Vardy & Stephen Zehr
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 In *Routledge Handbook on South Asian Foreign Policy*, edited by Aparna Pande
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 In *Development Economics: Aptyly or Wrongly Named?*, edited by Natalia Bracarense & Louis-Philippe Rochon
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Untold Stories of Madhesi Children
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 In *Multilingual Education in South Asia: At the Intersection of Policy and Practice*, edited by Lina Adinolfi, Usree Bhattacharya & Prem Phyak
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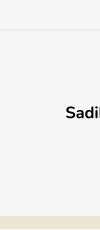
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 In *Routledge Handbook on South Asian Foreign Policy*, edited by Aparna Pande
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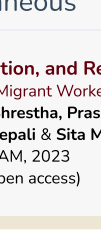
Migrant Labour and Inequalities in the Nepal-Malaysia Corridor (and Beyond)

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 In *The Palgrave Handbook of South-South Migration and Inequality*, edited by Heaven Crawley & Joseph Kofi Teye
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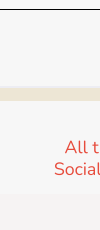
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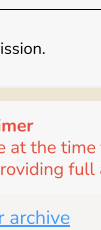
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 Bhutanese Refugees and Humanitarian Governance
Alice Neikirk
 University of Alberta Press, 2023
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Hanna A. Ruszczyk
 Practical Action Publishing, 2023
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 Connecting India and Nepal
Swatahsiddha Sarkar
 Routledge India, 2024
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 Tatha Sanskriti (in Nepali)
 (Kali-Karnal's Folk Literature and Culture)
Yagyaraj Upadhyaya
 Book Hill, 2023
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A Study of Nepali Migrant Workers
Sadikshya Bhattarai, Jeevana Baniya, Sanjit Shrestha, Prasansa Thapa, Rajib Neupane, Dogendra Tamsa, Sanita Nepali & Sita Mademba
 PNCC/CESLAM, 2023
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