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cordially invite you to a lecture

Discussion of Tibetan Historiography



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Reflecting on my personal research on the Tibetan history during the Tang period, what attracted my curiosity the most was the integration of Tibet with pan-Digiang tribes 泛氐羌 部 落 at the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau for the first time in history. In fact, Tibet started wars with its neighbouring nations including Tang China, Dashi 大食, Uighur 回紇 and Nanzhao 南詔, expanding to the largest territory the pan-Digiang tribe ever possessed. Interesting is, how did the Tibetan documents record these events of the dazzling history of the Tibetan Empire? To which extend was Tibetan historiography affected by foreign influences, such as the Chinese way of compiling and editing history? A comparison and cross analysis of both Tang and Tibetan records such as the Account of Tibetan Documents from Dunhuang, "The Old Tibetan Annals", Old History of the Tang (Chiou Tang shu 舊唐書), New History of the Tang (Hsin Tang shu 新唐書), Comprehensive Mirror in Aid of Government (Zizhi tongjian 資治通鑑) etc. show interesting findings that will be presented during this lecture.

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