



Mongolei-Colloquium

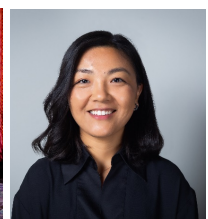
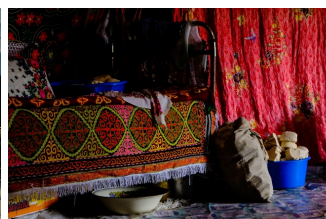
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Kazakh People in Mongolia Today: Ways of Life and Language

The presentation focuses on the Kazakh people living in Mongolia, and in particular on their lifestyle and language. Altay Kazakhs settled in the western territories of present-day Mongolia from the Xinjiang area of China in the middle of the 19th century. Altay Kazakhs follow the traditional lifestyle based on pastoral nomadism, herding sheep, camels, goats, horses and cattle. Their language is a special variety of Kazakh, and it thus belongs to the Kipchak subgroup of the Turkic languages spoken in Central Asia.



After an overview on the history and cultural features, linguistic contact with Khalkha Mongolian, differences between standard Kazakh and Altay Kazakh, the current status of Altay Kazakh in Mongolia and code-switching due to bilingualism will be discussed. This will include a brief discussion of the legal status of Altay Kazakhs as a minority in Mongolia and the implications this has with regards to their educational programs.

Im Mongolei-Colloquium, seit 2013 organisiert von der Mongolistik am IOA, werden aktuelle mongoleibezogene Forschungsprojekte und Praxisfelder vorgestellt. In diesem Forum kommen Forschende, Studierende und die interessierte Öffentlichkeit ins Gespräch.

Alle Interessierten sind herzlich willkommen!