

EDITORIAL NOTE

There are some changes in the editorial collective of the journal *Studies in Nepali History and Society* (SINHAS) from this issue. Seira Tamang has retired as one of the editors. Seira joined the editorial team from the June 2000 issue (Vol. 5, No. 1) and served this journal for 18 years. We thank her for her contributions in making SINHAS a leading Nepal Studies journal. She will still maintain connections with this journal as an editor-at-large and help recruit new authors.

We welcome two new colleagues to the editorial team. First is Dr Seika Sato, a professor of anthropology at Teikyo University, Tokyo. Seika has done extensive research on Nepal since the mid-1990s and has published widely in both Japanese and English. Her earlier research focused on the lives of Yolmo women, about whom she published a book in Japanese in 2015. That book, *Conversing with the Yolmo Women: An Anthropology of Life/Story in Nepal* was reviewed in the June 2016 issue of this journal. Her current research is focused on the livelihoods and experiences of Nepali women from various class, caste and ethnic backgrounds. Seika's publications, including the two full length articles published in this journal, are listed at www.e-campus.gr.jp/staffinfo/public/staff/detail/216/24.

We also welcome Dr Katharine N. Rankin, a professor of geography and planning at the University of Toronto, Toronto. Katharine has also done extensive research on Nepal since the early 1990s and has published widely. Her 2004 book which resulted from her dissertation research, *The Cultural Politics of Markets: Economic Liberalization and Social Change in Nepal*, was reviewed in the June 2006 issue of this journal. Her current research is focused on the politics of infrastructure planning and "state building as everyday practice" in Nepal. Katharine's publications, including the two full length articles published in this journal (one of them co-written), are listed at <http://geography.utoronto.ca/profiles/katharine-rankin/>.

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