EDITORIAL

EBHR, created in 1991, is a collaborative journal edited alternately by the Südasien Institute (Heidelberg), SOAS (London) and CNRS-Himalaya (France). For the second time, the editorial team will be based in France. We are lucky enough to be now assisted by Bernadette Sellers for proof reading of English. We will also benefit from the help of András Höfer who kindly offered to continue alongside us. And we take this opportunity to thank Martin Gaenzle for ensuring that the changeover went smoothly.

This volume is a double-issue centered on six contributions focusing on the anthropology of the Western Himalayas. The remarkable vitality of the research on Nepal over the last forty years has from the very beginning provided the bulletin with its privileged focus. Political events in the nineties have been a turning point in the Himalayan studies however, as it became less easy to carry out fieldwork in the kingdom and at the same time new areas opened up in other parts of the range. The bulletin will naturally reflect this trend and definitely widen its scope so as to evenly cover the whole region, reporting on ongoing research in Ladakh, Himachal and Sikkim, but also opening up to the lesser surveyed Uttaranchal, Bhutan and North-East India. Nepal will not, of course, be neglected in the meantime (see Call for Papers p.161). If peace returns, as we all hope it will, time will come for a deep analysis of recent events and their outcomes, a task to which EBHR is particularly qualified to contribute. Offers of articles, research reports, book reviews and general information on all these topics are most welcome.

The bulletin has provided a unique platform for European cooperation in Himalayan Studies. Besides publication per se, its editors have organized specific seminars, or panels within general conferences. We will continue on this path.

Finally, as you have noticed, we have strived to maintain the fees at their existing rate, to keep it affordable for students and post-docs. This means that we have to slightly increase the number of subscriptions. So if you appreciated recent issues of EBHR please make the bulletin known to your colleagues and friends – and be sure to renew your own subscription.

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Corrigendum

In our last issue (no. 28), Joanna Pfaff-Czarnecka reviewed A Kingdom under Siege by Deepak Thapa and Bandita Sijapati. On p. 110, the authors have erroneously been given as editors of this book. We apologize.