



## COLLOQUIUM [SoSe-2021]

Department of Cultural and Religious History of South Asia (Classical Indology)

### The Holy Garbage of the Temple and the Idea of Holiness

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**16:15-17:45 Hrs**

(CEST/UTC+2h)

Sacred space is usually characterized by the assignment of a specific cultic task to each individual person, vessel and material. But even the most splendid temples produce waste products, residue of sacred material cast aside without use. This lecture will discuss the practicalities of the treatment of sacred waste, the theological principles underlying them, and the surprising connection between ritual architecture and law.



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**This talks is scheduled online via ZOOM:**

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