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Last of the Tuhan speakers?

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Abstract:

Tsagaan-Uur soum is located in the Khuvsgul aimag (province) between the lake Khuvsgul and Russian republic of Buryatia in the north and east. Here live last speakers of the Tuhan language – most endangered language of the region. Tuhan, often referred to as Uyghur-Uriankhay, is presently spoken by a handful of old speakers and semi-speakers and is severely endangered. The intergenerational transmission is interrupted and children do not learn the language anymore (Ragagnin, 2023). Although the existence of their Turkic language has been known to scholars for quite some time, a comprehensive study of it has yet to be produced. There is still no detailed linguistic description, not even a basic overview or dictionary. This raises a fundamental question: why do we know so little about this people and their language? Since 2014, I have devoted my research to this community, focusing on their historical background and cultural development. In recent years, I have also begun conducting fieldwork among them, collecting ethnographic and cultural-anthropological data. While much remains unknown, our ongoing research has gradually begun to reveal the causes behind the disappearance of their language and their assimilation into the surrounding Mongolian population.

サイドイベント／研究報告

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「モンゴル人女性知識人ハンダスレンの生涯」

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アリウナさんは、満州に暮らした女性たちのライフ・ヒストリーをまとめる活動をしています。当日は、ハンダスレン・ツェンドというダゴール・モンゴル人研究者の視点から戦中・戦後のロシア・満州・モンゴルを越境的に生きた人々の歴史の再構成を試みているアリウナさんのお話を伺いながら、当時の記憶や想いを、アカデミズムの枠を超えて共有し、語り継ぐための方法や可能性を考えます。

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