HUC Himalayan University Consortium

HUC Election July 2025

Cast your vote to select ExCom Member Representing Early/Mid-Career Cohorts!

Anna-Maria Walter

- 2024-2025 Postdoctoral Researcher, Rachel Carson Center for Environment & Society, LMU Munich
- 2022-2023 Postdoctoral Researcher, Faculty of Humanities, University of Oulu, Finland
- 2018 PhD at Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich, dissertation on the intersection of conjugal emotions, mobile phones and Islamic doctrines in Gilgit Baltistan, summa cum laude award

Post-doctoral Researcher, Dep of Science, Technology and Society, Technical University Munich, Germany, upcoming, from Oct 2025. Expertise on the Himalayas and Alps, gender studies, decolonial epistemologies, environmental issues and digital anthropology; ethnographic base has previously been Pakistan's high mountain areas of Gilgit-Baltistan and the Alps, now expands to Indian mountains, Nepal and Bhutan; research interest in "subaltern glaciology", decentring and decolonizing western-centric knowledge regimes and support alternative imaginaries by local advocates and stakeholders, particularly scientists who are based in small, remote universities throughout High Mountain Asia; contributed to numerous workshops, conferences and public forums on Muslim women, the social life of emotions, affective methodologies, and the agency of ICT.

"Inspired by the vision of the HUC, I have already started working along its mission and initiated connections between various researchers from the HKH and the Alps."

"[...] will emphasize collaborative citizen projects and community service, [....] my current transition from extractive research practices to the role of facilitator, rather than as all-knowing ambassador providing opportunities for people to speak for themselves."

Letter of Interest by the candidate

"Dr. Walter's distinguished research, publication record, service, and public engagement render her a highly qualified candidate who will serve the HUC with intellectual energy, commitment, and effectiveness. [...] Walter works diligently to build Himalayan research and knowledge communities that are interdisciplinary, international, and rigorous."

Endorsement by Prof. Dr. Anne Rademacher, Professor & Chair, Sustainable Urban Environments, TUM