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Challenges for Environmental and Political Philosophy in the Anthropocene

(international conference)

16th – 17th January 2023

Bratislava Castle

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Keynote speakers:

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Eric S. Nelson

(Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong)

The international conference will focus on the overlaps between environmental and political philosophy in order to foster the understanding of and dealing with current global environmental crises. The theme of the conference is based on the assumption that the meaningfulness of political decisions in the Anthropocene era depends on the understanding and acceptance of the Earth as a universal methodological horizon. From this premise it follows that an adequate political or social philosophy should be, first of all, environmental. The aim of the conference is to create a space for critical discussion on the possibilities of creating an effective international research platform that could authentically contribute to the reflection of current policies that deepen social and environmental inequality.

The international conference is held under the auspices of the Chairman of the Agricultural and Environmental Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic Mr. Jaroslav Karahuta and with the kind support of the Chancellery of the National Council of the Slovak Republic.

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„Tasks of Political Philosophy in the Context of Anthropocene“

PROGRAMME

Monday, January 16, 2023

09.15 - 09.45 **Registration**

09.45 - 10.00 **Richard Šťáhel** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
Welcome address by the Head of the Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences

SESSION I

10.00 - 10.20 **Dušan Gálik** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
The Term “Anthropocene” in Science and Philosophy

10.20 - 10.40 **Güncel Önköl** (Maltepe University, Istanbul)
Environmentalism without Ethics in Anthropocene: Remarks on COP27

10.40 - 11.00 **Martin Ritter** (Institute of Philosophy of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague)
How to Become Earthbound?

11.00 - 11.20 **Agostino Cera** (University of Ferrara, Ferrara)
The Paradox of Omni-responsibility: An Ethical Challenge for the Anthropocene

11.20 - 11.40 **Anna Mravcová** (Slovak University of Agriculture, Nitra)
On Environmental Citizenship and the Emphasis on Environmental Responsibility in the Context of the Deepening Environmental Crisis

11.40 - 12.10 **Discussion**

Chair: Daniel Buschmann (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)

12.10 - 13.10 **Lunch**

SESSION II

13.10 - 13.30 **Petra Gümplöová** (Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Jena)
Common Ownership of the Earth in the Anthropocene

13.30 - 13.50 **Gianluca Ronca** (University of Castilla-La Mancha, Toledo)
The Rights of the Ecosystem and the Rights of Future Generations: A Comparison between International Documents and Italian Constitutional Revision

13.50 - 14.10 **Alessandro Volpi** (University Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Milan)
Problematizing the Top-down Dichotomy in Climate Action and Policymaking

14.10 - 14.30 **Jan Géryk** (Institute of State and Law of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague)
From the Self to the World Anthropocene and De-Psychologization of the Public

14.30 - 14.50 **Vít Pokorný** (Jan Evangelista Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem, Ústí nad Labem)
Reconfiguring Human Image: Interdependence as the Core of Posthuman Agency

14.50 - 15.20 **Discussion**

Chair: João Ribeiro Mendes (University of Minho, Braga)

15.20 - 15.40 **Coffee break**

KEYNOTE LECTURE

15.40 - 16.40 **Mark Coeckelbergh** (University of Vienna, Vienna)
Freedom in the Anthropocene: Bringing Political Philosophy to Global Environmental Problems

16.40 - 17.10 **Discussion**

Chair: Richard Šťáhel (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)

17.10 **Conference closing**

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

09.15 - 09.45 **Registration**

09.45 - 10.00 **Jon Stewart** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
Welcome address

KEYNOTE LECTURE

10.00 - 11.00 **Eric S. Nelson** (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong)
Daoist Biopolitics, Anarchy, and Participatory Eco-Democracy

11.00 - 11.30 **Discussion**

Chair: Jon Stewart (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)

11.30 - 12.30 **Lunch**

SESSION III

12.30 - 12.50 **João Ribeiro Mendes** (University of Minho, Braga)
Thinking Planetary Thinking

12.50 - 13.10 **Daniel Buschmann** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
Prospects of an Intercultural Dialogue for Political Philosophy in the Anthropocene

13.10 - 13.30 **Lorenzo de Stefano** (University of Naples Federico II, Naples)
The Ecological Dimension of the Origin of Western Thought. A Pre-metaphysical Environmental Perspective

13.30 - 13.50 **Elise Lamy-Rested** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
Deconstructing the Anthropocene with Speculative Cosmology

13.50 - 14.10 **Eva Dědečková** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
Cosmological Philosophy and Its Actuality in the Anthropocene

14.10 - 14.40 **Discussion**

Chair: Ľubomír Dunaj (University of Vienna, Vienna)

14.40 - 15.00 **Coffee break**

SESSION IV

15.00 - 15.20 **Vitor Pereira** (University of Lisbon, Lisbon)
Ecological Urban Life

15.20 - 15.40 **Dominika Janus & Sarah Hicks** (Linköping University, Linköping)
The Threat of Longtermism: Is Ecological Catastrophe an Existential Risk? Disillusioned Ideals for a Bold, New Future

15.40 - 16.00 **Tomáš Korda** (Charles University, Prague)
The Problem of Sovereignty in Times of Environmental Crisis

16.00 - 16.20 **Anish Mishra** (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong)
A Rasa Sensibility for Ecological Aesthetics through a Buddhist Conception of Nature

16.20 - 16.40 **Břetislav Horyna** (Institute of Philosophy of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava)
First Reasons for the Transformation of Political Philosophy into Environmental Political Philosophy

16.40 - 17.10 **Discussion**

Chair: Güncel Önköl (Maltepe University, Istanbul)

17.10 **Conference closing**