

Transformations in Critical Times.

Perspectives from the Environmental Humanities (6.-7. November 2025)

November 6

Time	What	Topics/Title	
8:30-8:50 am	Opening Address		
8:50-10:30 am	4 Presentations*	<p>Notteboom: "Recollecting Landscapes. Imagining socio-environmental transformations in Flanders"</p> <p>Arigho-Stiles: The transformation of virgin landscapes: agrarian extractivism on Bolivia's Amazonian frontier (1952-present)</p> <p>Rustja: "Fragmented Futures: Post-Socialist Urbanism and Socio-Environmental Transformation in Albania"</p> <p>Miernecka: "Messy Methods for Environmental History: Reading Queer Literature as Fieldwork"</p>	Workshop Title: Land Transformations
10:30-10:45 am	Coffee Break		
10:45 am-12:30 pm	4 Presentations	<p>Palma: "Medicine, Zoonoses, and Socio-Environmental Transformations in 19th-Century Portugal"</p> <p>Danielsson: "From Jaws to Ecological Crisis: The 1970s Disaster Imagination and the Limits of Socio-Environmental Transformation"</p> <p>Li: "Lie-Flat Environmentalism in a Burning World: Ecological</p>	Workshop Title: Policies and Imaginaries

		<p>Civilization and Its Discontents in Contemporary China"</p> <p>Abdelghafour: "The afforestation of grassy ecosystems: opportunity for mitigating climate change or ecological threat? Geopolitics of forest-related science and conflicting valuations of ecosystems"</p>	
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch		Restaurant Sankt Ulrich
1:30-2:00 pm	City Stroll		
2:00-3:40 pm	4 Presentations	<p>Herron: "Plotting Transformation: Local Ripples and Global Logics in Socio-Environmental Governance "</p> <p>Ferraz: "'We Were Born to Defend Our Land, Our People, Our Forests:' Indigenous Environmental Action and the Practice of Transformation in Brazil (1988–1992)"</p> <p>Montalvo-Senior: "Transformative Ecologies of Care: Sikuani Women's Embodied Practices for Territorial and Environmental Governance"</p> <p>Egerer: "Transformative Powers of Indigenous Arts"</p>	Workshop Title: Intervening Voices and Practices
3:40-4:00 pm	Coffee Break		
4:00-5:15 pm	3 Presentations	<p>Grosche: "From Ecosystem to Datasystem: The Imaginaries of Urban Nature in the Age of Digital Twins"</p> <p>Ramapuram: "Reimagining Indigenous Ecologies through Social Media Networks: Digital Animism"</p> <p>Pieper: "Conceptualizing the AI transformation and the Digital Fantasy of Immateriality"</p>	Workshop Title: Digital Transformations

5:15-6:45 pm	Keynote	Martin Puchner** "Literature for a Changing Planet"	
7:00 pm	Conference Dinner		

Nov. 7.

Time	What	Topic/Title	
8:30-10:35 am	5 Presentations	<p>Bartelmann: "Imagining Biocultural Futures: Insights from the Paraná Delta Wetlands, Argentina"</p> <p>Olaoluwa: "Ecologies of Awareness and Transformation: Female Youth Agency in Ngugi's The Perfect Nine and Okri's Every Leaf a Hallelujah"</p> <p>Amadei: "Vegetal Deviations in a Brazilian Urban Park: Notes on Care, Ecologies and Landscape Transformations"</p> <p>Niesner: "SPECIES OF PASSIONATE INTEREST: Theorizing Biocultural Conservation and Ecosocial Transformation Together"</p> <p>Elton: "A multispecies problem calls for multispecies answers: Involving plants as social actors in transformative change"</p>	Workshop Title: Community, Agency
10:35-10:50 am	Coffee Break		
10:50-12:20 pm	Keynote	Julia Steinberger***: "Science, Advocacy and Activism"	

12:20-12:30	End of Conference Concluding Remarks		
12:30	Lunch		