



Picture: Landschaft mit Bergwerk by Herri met de Bles (about 1485/1510 - about 1555), Alte Galerie /Universalmuseum Joanneum GmbH, Graz

62nd STUDY WEEK "ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURES FROM THE EARLY MODERN PERIOD TO THE PRESENT"

22 - 24 September 2021

Online Conference

The conference is devoted to the relationship between environment and infrastructure from the early modern period to the present.

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PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2021

14.15-14.30 (CEST) | Welcoming Remarks

Christoph Cornelißen (University of Frankfurt a.M. – FBK-ISIG)

14.30-15.15 (CEST) | Opening Lecture

Helmuth Trischler (Deutsches Museum – Rachel Carson Center, Munich), *The Anthropocene as a Provocation to Environmental History*

15.30-18.30 (CEST) Session | Urban Metabolism and the Transformation of Hinterlands: Ecology and Technology

Chair: **Katia Occhi** (FBK-ISIG)

Georg Stöger (University of Salzburg), *Urban Environmental Infrastructure in the East Alpine Region, Sixteenth to Eighteenth Century*

Claudio Lorenzini (University of Udine), *Between “Stues” and “Çates”: Infrastructures for Timber Transport between Disbursement and Flow. The Case of Friuli in the Early Modern Period*

Sabine Barles (University of Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris), *The Infrastructural Dimension of Urban Metabolism*

Christoph Bernhardt (Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space, Erkner), *The Rise and Fall of the “Car-Friendly City” in Twentieth-Century Europe – the Case of Berlin in a Transnational Perspective*

THURSDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2021

9.30-12.30 (CEST) Session | Energy Systems: Resources, Actors, Conflicts

Chair: **Claudio Ferlan** (FBK-ISIG)

Jean Baptiste Fressoz (EHESS, Paris), *Energy History: From Transition to Cumulation and Symbioses, 19th-20th centuries*

Katja Bruisch (Trinity College, Dublin), *Place Matters: Revisiting Soviet Electrification*

Astrid Mignon Kirchhof (Humboldt University, Berlin), *Uranium Stories: Making the Wismut Narrative Visible*

Elisabetta Bini (University of Naples), *Defending the Environment? Conflicts over Water Resources in the Italian Nuclear Program (1975-1987)*

15.00-18.00 (CEST) Session | The Multiple Scales of Enviro-Technical Systems: Spatial and Temporal Features

Chair: **Giacomo Bonan** (Ca' Foscari University of Venice)

Giacomo Parrinello (Sciences Po, Paris), *Water as Infrastructure and the Scalar Mismatch: Po River Basin, 19th-20th centuries*

Frédéric Graber (Centre Marc Bloch, Berlin – EHESS, Paris), *The Long-lasting Relationship between Environment, Infrastructure and Participation*

Simone Müller (Rachel Carson Center, Munich), *Hazardous Travels: Structures and Dynamics of the Global Waste Economy*

David Edgerton (King's College, London), *Cumulation not Transition? Some Thoughts on the Material History of the Twentieth Century*

FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2021

14.30-17.30 (CEST) Session | Hybrid Landscape: Infrastructures of Water Control

Chair: **Lavinia Maddaluno** (Ca' Foscari University of Venice)

Matteo Di Tullio (University of Pavia), *Coping with Water: Economy, Ecology, and Conflicts in Early Modern Lombardy*

Tim Soens (University of Antwerp), *Seawalls Reworked: Envirotech, Climate Change and Labor on the North Sea Coast before 1900*

David Gentilcore (Ca' Foscari University of Venice), *Decadent Infrastructure? Representations of Water Provision and Management in the Kingdom of Naples in the Early Nineteenth Century*

Joana Gaspar de Freitas (University of Lisbon), *Building Environments: A Historical View on Dunes as Envirotechnical Landscapes*

17.45-18.30 (CEST) | Conclusion

Chair: **Christoph Cornelißen** (University of Frankfurt a.M. – FBK-ISIG)

John R. McNeill (Georgetown University), *Concluding Remarks*