

The Politics of Limits: Sustainability and Democracy in Times of Changing Climates

Tentative Programme

Monday, 8 December

12:30-13:00

Registration

13:00-13:15

Welcome and Introduction

13:15-14:45

Theories of limits

Karoline Kalke & Daniel Hausknost (Wien): Can Republican Freedom Address the Barriers to Implementing Politics of Limits in Western Democracies?

Tobias Vogel (Bochum) & Jan Heiliger (Witten/Herdecke): The Ethics of the Future Perfect. Temporal Responsibility and the Politics of Ecological Limits

Basil Bornemann (Zürich): Planetary Boundaries and Democracy: Exploring Challenges and Potentials for Innovation

15:00-16:30

What to limit and how?

Lea Becker, Lars Berker & Doris Fuchs (Potsdam): Pursuing the transformation towards 1.5° societies in times of polarization

Rose Troll (Berlin): Limits of Nature and Limits of Society

Lorina Buhr (Göttingen): Too Much of a Good Thing? A Political Limitarian Perspective on the Development of (Digital) Technology

16:45-18:15

Structural Obstacles to Limitations? The role of economic policy

John Berten, Robin Schulze Waltrup & Alexandra Kaash (Bielefeld): Limits to welfare? The translation of boundary concepts in global eco-social policy

Oliver Braganza (Bonn) & Jakob Kapeller (Duisburg-Essen): Reappraising consumption nudging—on liberty in the age of climate catastrophe

Kajsa Emilsson, Jayeon Lee & Max Koch (Lund): Too Rich to Regulate? Perceptions of the Wealthy and the Feasibility of Climate Policy for High Emitters

18:15 Information on the launch of the network ‘Sustainability and Democracy’

19:15 Conference dinner

Tuesday, 9 December

9:00-10:30

Structural obstacles to limitations? The role of political institutions

Paul Glöckner (Nürnberg): True Cost Accounting - an idea whose time has come? Investigating the incorporation of TCA related policy in the German coalition agreement 2021

Rosalie Arendt & Felice Diekel (Twente): Carbon Offsets Without End: The CDM, Article 6.4, and the Politics of Not-Quite-Limiting

Sayed Attaullah Shah (Peshawar): Youth Climate Activism and Republican Freedom in Pakistan: Negotiating Sustainability Limits Amid Democratic Distrust

10:45-12:15

(Un)successful politization of climate issues

Michael Rose & Okka Lou Mathis (Lüneburg): The structures and limits of the emerging German sustainability state

Anna Geyer (Frankfurt): Advocacy Coalitions and Discourses of Freedom in Social-Ecological Transformation Conflicts

Alexander Schindler (Potsdam): What could ‘transclassing’ mean for sustainable democracies?

13:30-15:00

How to organize sustainable practices I

Thomas Rixen & Peter Dietsch (Berlin): Principles of Justice for a Sustainable Economy

Georgios Anagnostopoulos (Athens): Between commoning and commodification: Renewable Energy Communities as hybrid spaces in green accumulation.

Ala Uddin (Bangladesh): Climate Change, Energy Security, and the Rise of Populist Politics in Bangladesh: Implications for Sustainable Democracy

15:30-17:00

How to organize sustainable practices II

Arsh Afrooz (Islamabad), Umer Khayyam (Osnabrück) & Mariam Mansuri (Berlin): Environmental Injustice and the Limits of Democracy: The Case of Resource Governance in Balochistan, Pakistan

Lauren Goetze: Resourcing for Interdependence: How Social Ventures Balance Freedom and Limits for Sustainable Communities.

Basil Bornemann (Zürich): Planetary Boundaries and Democracy: Exploring Challenges and Potentials for Innovation

17:00

Wrap up

17:30

End of the Conference

Information

Venue

College for Social Sciences and Humanities
University Alliance Ruhr | Research Alliance
Lindenallee 39-41 | 45127 Essen

Directions:

From Essen main station on foot: Walking to the College from Essen main station takes about seven minutes (500 m). Exit the station through the main entrance. Cross the street and walk straight across Willy-Brandt-Platz, then turn left onto Lindenallee. Keep right to follow Lindenallee, then keep left at the roundabout (Hans-Toussaint-Platz).

By public transport: Public transport stops closest to the College are Essen main station (Hauptbahnhof) and Hirschlandplatz (underground lines U11, U17, U18; 3-minute walk to the College). For planning your individual journey, you can use the travel planner of the regional transport association VRR, or bahn.de for regional, national, and international connections.

From Düsseldorf airport station, inter-city trains (ICE, IC) and several regional train lines (RE1, RE2, RE6, RE11, S1) take you directly to Essen main station in 30 to 40 minutes.

Hotel

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Hoffnungstraße 19
45127 Essen

<https://tripinn-hotels.com/essen-boutique/>

Within walking distance of the station and the venue.

Conference Dinner

Restaurant tablo
Huyssenalle 5
45128 Essen

<https://www.tablo-restaurant.de/en-1/>