



The Climate Emergency and Social Inequality – Responses from Researchers in Wales

Early Career Research Conference • Friday 26 November 2021

9.00 – 9.10	Introductions
Professor Helen Fulton Dr Ben Raynor	Vice-President, Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences, Learned Society of Wales Senior Research Manager, HEFCW
9.10 – 9.30	Keynote
Professor Milja Kurki	‘Climate Change: the potential and the challenges for cross-disciplinary responses’
9.30 – 10.30	Session 1 – Interconnection, Participation and Decision Making: Approaches to Acting Globally
Dr Amaya Querejazu	‘Making Kin with Other Worlds: Relationality as a methodology to build pluriversal international relations’
Dr Caer Smyth	‘No Room for Wildlife? Making a case for the environment in participatory decision-making processes’
Dr Feng Mao	‘Serious Games for Climate Change Adaptation’
<i>Chaired by Professor Ambreena Manji, School of Law and Politics, Cardiff University</i>	
There will be a short comfort break at the end of this session	
10.35 – 11.35	Session 2 – Learning from Communities’ Experiences: Envisaging Future Possibilities
Dr Hannah Hughes	‘Change with and for the Climate’
Dr Nguyen Chien	‘Climate Risks’
Dr Luci Attala	‘Múnekañ Masha: Revitalizing water in the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta’
<i>Chaired by Professor Michael Woods, Department of Geography and Earth Sciences, Aberystwyth University</i>	
Coffee break (15 minutes)	
11.50 – 12.50	Session 3 – Language and Translation: Issues of Representation and Social Justice
Dr Ben Ó Ceallaigh	‘The Green New Deal: A window of opportunity for minoritised languages?’
Dr Rhianedd Jewell	‘Cyfieithu ar y pryd yn llysoedd Cymru - Cydraddolden Iaith a'r Gyfraith?’ ‘Simultaneous Interpretation in Welsh Courts - Linguistic and Legal Equality?’
Dr Joanna Chojnicka	‘Trans in Translation: Multilingual practices and local/global gender and sexuality discourses in Polish transition narratives’
<i>Chaired by Professor Mererid Hopwood, Department of Welsh and Celtic Studies, Aberystwyth University</i>	



Lunch break (45 minutes)	
13.35 – 13.55	Introduction to afternoon session
Dr Aaron Thierry	'From Publications to Public Actions: The Role of Universities in Facilitating Academic Advocacy and Activism in the Climate and Ecological Emergency'
13.55 – 14.55	Session 4 – Positive Approaches to Waste
Katherine Stewart	'Making Rag Rugs from Waste T-shirts: A community response to climate change and resource waste in Wales'
Dr Alvin Orbaek White	'Clawing Our Way Back from Plastic Fantastic: A new opportunity for the valorization of waste materials'
Dr Mehroosh Tak	'A Tool in the Toolkit: Can True Cost Accounting remove siloed thinking about food loss and waste?'
<i>Chaired by Professor Andrew Henley, Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University</i>	
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15.05 – 16.00	Session 5 – The Economics of Change: New Approaches to the Climate Crisis
Dr Siobhan Maderson	'Addressing the Climate Change and Biodiversity Crises: Beekeepers and power in the Capitalocene'
Jamila La Malfa-Donaldson	'Performance of Industrial Hemp in West Wales'
Dr Elaine Ford	'Offsetting and Footprints: A comparison of two environmental accounting regimes'
<i>Chaired by Dr Cara Reed, Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University</i>	
Coffee break (15 minutes)	
16.15 – 17.10	Session 6 – Energy Systems: New Technologies and Approaches
Dr Simon Middleburgh	'How Bangor University is developing nuclear systems to combat climate change and explore the universe'
Marina Kovaleva	'Development of Ammonia-Based Combustion Systems'
Dr Rhiannon Chalmers-Brown	'Carbon Capture and Utilisation: The VFA Factory'
<i>Chaired by Professor Karen Henwood, School of Social Sciences, Cardiff University</i>	
Conclusion of lightning talks; break	
17.30 – 18.30	Roundtable discussion – Will technologies designed to decarbonise homes exacerbate or reduce social inequalities?
Drs Kate O'Sullivan and Rachel Hale Dr Elli Nikolaidou Drs Carol Maddock and Deborah Morgan <i>Chaired by Jonathan Adams, Jonathan Adams + Ptns Architects</i>	
Close of conference	