

Globalization, Environmental Ethics, and Environmental Justice

An International Conference



OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Schedule of Events at Michigan State University
from Thursday August 24 to Monday August 28

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Dear Conference Participant:

We would like to welcome you to Michigan State University (MSU) for our international conference titled "Globalization, Environmental Ethics, and Environmental Justice."

As the global character of many environmental problems become more manifest, wider perspectives are stimulated in local environmental traditions. In North America, a burgeoning environmental justice movement makes links between environmental damage, poverty and race that strongly recall longstanding political concerns in Europe and the South. In Western Europe, skepticism and mistrust of GM and other new deep technologies raises questions about the character of "nature" long discussed in relation to the American wilderness tradition. Around the globe, environmental activists grapple with new problems of human impacts, risk, technology, consumption and just distribution, and articulate new visions of the future. This conference aims to bring together a range of disparate voices across the globe and the disciplines, broadening these new international discussions by bringing distinctly American traditions of environmental ethics into dialogue with international concerns in environmental politics, philosophy, literature, sociology, history and economics.

The conference is organized by the Lyman Briggs School of Science, which has long pioneered scholarly cooperation between arts and sciences at Michigan State University, USA's first land-grant university. MSU conference sponsors include: Lyman Briggs School of Science; James Madison College; Environmental Science and Policy Program (ESPP); Science, Technology, Environment, and Public Policy Program (STEPPS); Graduate Specialization in Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change; Land Policy Institute; Center for Global Change and Earth Observations; Sustainable Michigan Endowed Project (SMEP); Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station (MAES); Professor Paul B. Thompson, W. K. Kellogg Chair in Agricultural, Food, and Community Ethics; Graduate School; International Studies Program; Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education; College of Natural Science; College of Social Science; College of Agriculture and Natural Resources; Department of Philosophy; Department of Fisheries and Wildlife; and Department of Agricultural Economics. We would like to thank the following individuals for their guidance and assistance while planning and organizing this conference: Dr. Robert Shelton in the Lyman Briggs School of Science, Dr. Paul B. Thompson and Elizabeth Mauritz in the Department of Philosophy, and Dr. Tom Dietz in the Environmental Science and Policy Program and Department of Sociology.

We hope you enjoy the conference and your visit to MSU!

Sincerely,

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY AUGUST 24TH

7:00 PM **Check-In and Registration – Kellogg Center Lobby**
-10:00 PM (Please pick up your name badge and official program)

FRIDAY AUGUST 25TH

8:00 AM **Breakfast – Centennial B & C**
-9:00 AM

8:40 AM **Welcome Addresses – Centennial B & C**

Kim Wilcox, Provost of Michigan State University
Elizabeth Simmons, Director of Lyman Briggs School of Science

9:00 AM **Keynote Speaker – Centennial B & C**

John Barry, School of Politics, International Studies, and Philosophy,
Queen's University Belfast, j.barry@qub.ac.uk

10:00 AM **Coffee Break**
-10:30 AM

10:30 AM **Session A**
-12:30 PM

Workshop 1 – Michigamme Room

Agricultural Environmental Ethics

Presider: Paul B. Thompson, Department of Philosophy, Michigan
State University, thomp649@msu.edu

*Against Wilderness: An International Assessment of Women's Subsistence
Agriculture*

Trish Glazebrook, Department of Philosophy, Dalhousie
University, pglazebr@dal.ca

Environmental Justice and Farm Families: The Case of Bovine Tuberculosis

Robert J. Griffiore, Department of Family and Child Ecology,
Michigan State University, griffiore@msu.edu

Lillian Phenice, Department of Family and Child Ecology,
Michigan State University, lphenice@msu.edu

*Changes in Land Use and Land Cover Dynamics of China: Environmental
Issues and Consequences*

Jianguo Qi, Department of Geography, Michigan State University,
qi@msu.edu

Workshop 2 – Conference Room 62

Constructions of Nature

Presider: Piers H.G Stephens, Lyman Briggs School of Science,
Michigan State University, steph243@msu.edu

*'Natural' Landscapes as Cultural Landscapes: Creation, Meaning, and
Preservation of Pristine Wilderness*

Wren Nasr, McGill University, wren.nasr@mcgill.ca

*Environments, Natures and Conditions: Old Boundaries and New
Practices in Environmental Movements and Scholarship*

Alan Rudy, Central Michigan University, rudya@msu.edu

*Legitimacy and Watershed Ethics: How People Gain Awareness and
Legitimacy as Main Actors of Local Environmental Governance in the
Case of the Mattole Watershed*

Mayumi Fukunaga, Environmental Studies, University of
Tokyo, m-fkng@rc5.so-net.ne.jp

12:30 PM **Lunch – Centennial B & C**
-1:30 PM

1:30 PM Keynote Speaker – Centennial B & C

Laura Westra, Department of Philosophy, University of Windsor,
University of York, laura.westra@eointegrity.net

**2:30 PM Session B
-4:30 PM**

Workshop 3 – Michigamme Room

Environmental Governance

Presider: John Barry, School of Politics, International Studies, and
Philosophy, Queen's University Belfast, j.barry@qub.ac.uk

Democratization and Forest Management: Keys to Fair Participation
Beatrice Gwena, University of Minnesota, muto0003@umn.edu

*Fly Me to the End of the World? The Failure to see Political Opportunities
in the Aviation Industry*
Rasmus Karlsson, Department of Political Science, Lund
University, rasmus.karlsson@svet.lu.se

*Democratic Ethics, Environmental Groups and Symbolic Inclusion: The
Case of Global Warming*
George A Gonzalez, Department of Political Science, University
of Miami, George.Gonzalez@miami.edu

Workshop 4 – Conference Room 62

Environmental Justice in the U.S.

Presider: Michael Mascarenhas, Department of Sociology, Kwantlen
University College, Michael.Mascarenhas@kwantlen.ca

*The Rhetorical Construction of Sustainability and Environmental Justice in
Louisville, Kentucky*
James A. Throgmorton, Graduate Program in Urban and
Regional Planning, University of Iowa,
james-throgmorton@uiowa.edu

Expertise and Environmental Injustice in Post-Katrina New Orleans
Barbara Allen, Department of Science and Technology in Society,
Virginia Polytechnic Institute, ballen@vt.edu

Justice in Redevelopment: The Beard School Property
Lisa Szymecko, Michigan State University, szymecko@msu.edu

4:30 PM Coffee Break

-5:00 PM

5:00 PM Session C

-7:00 PM

Workshop 5 – Michigamme Room

Environmental Citizenship

Presider: Robert Paehlke, Trent University, rpaehlke@trentu.ca

Rawlsian Political Liberalism and Environmental Discourse
Edward Abplanalp, Department of Philosophy, University of
Nebraska, philosophered@cox.net

*Development Ethics, Environmentalism, and the American Suburban
Student*
Judy Andre, Center for Ethics, Michigan State University,
andre@msu.edu

Green Citizenship: Local and Global, Ancient and Modern, Thick and Thin
Zev Trachtenberg, Department of Philosophy, University of
Oklahoma, ztrachtenberg@ou.edu

Workshop 6 – Conference Room 62

Environmental Justice in the International Arena

Presider: Gabriela Valdivia, Department of Geography, Michigan
State University, valdivi8@msu.edu

*Oil Producing Minorities and the Politics of Underdevelopment in
Nigeria's Niger Delta Area*
Anthony Kola-Olusanya, Ontario Institute for Studies in
Education, University of Toronto,
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*Coal Ash Disposal in Tuzla (Bosnia and Herzegovina): Environmental
Justice and Pollution Costs*
Vanessa Castan-Broto, University of Surrey,
Vanessa.Castan.Broto@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

*Where the Waters Divide?: Neo-liberalism, First Nations, and
Environmental Justice in Canada*
Michael Mascarenhas, Department of Sociology, Kwantlen
University College, Michael.Mascarenhas@kwantlen.ca

SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH

8:00 AM Breakfast— Centennial B & C
-9:00 AM

9:00 AM Keynote Speaker— Centennial B & C

Arthur P.J. Mol, Department of Social Sciences, Wageningen
University, Arthur.Mol@wur.nl

10:00 AM Coffee Break
-10:30 AM

10:30 AM Session D
-12:30 PM

Workshop 7— Michigamme Room

Challenges to Local Sustainability

Presider: Sabrina McCormick, Department of Sociology, Michigan
State University, mccor124@msu.edu

It Takes A City: Environmental Justice Solutions in El Monte, CA
Nathan Springer, Co-Founder of Amigos de los Rios,
nathan.springer@gmail.com

*Recreating Environmental Identity Through Restorative Justice: From
Minamata City to Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park*
Robert Figueroa, Department of Environmental Studies, Colgate
University, rfigueroa@mail.colgate.edu

Workshop 8— Conference Room 62

Environmentalism(s)

Presider: Zev Trachtenberg, Department of Philosophy, University
of Oklahoma, ztrachtenberg@ou.edu

*The American Wilderness Tradition, "Neotechnics" and the "Artificial
City-Region"*
Mark Luccarelli, Institute for Literature, Area Studies &
European Language, University of Oslo,
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Environmentalism and Populism

John M. Meyer, Department of Government & Politics,
Humboldt State University, john.meyer@humboldt.edu

*Democratic Citizens, Green Citizens, Feral Citizens: Unleashing the
Liberatory Promise of Environmentalism's Turn to Democracy*
Nick Garside, York University, ngarside@yorku.ca

12:30 PM Lunch— Centennial B & C
-1:30 PM

1:30 PM Keynote Speaker— Centennial B & C

Dale Jamieson, Department of Philosophy, New York University,
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2:30 PM Session E
-4:30 PM

Workshop 9— Michigamme Room

Globalizations and Environmentalism

Presider: Judy Andre, Center for Ethics, Michigan State University,
andre@msu.edu

*A Truly Inconvenient Truth: The Planetarian Ethic and the Spirit of
Contemporary Global Capitalism*
Timothy W. Luke, University Distinguished Professor,
Department of Political Science, Virginia Polytechnic
Institute, twluke@vt.edu

*Fighting a Saturnian Gloom: A Comparative Perspective on Lead
Poisoning in the Global North and South*
Daniel Renfrew, Binghamton University,
drenfrew@binghamton.edu

*The Global Dimension of Sub-Surface Nuclear Waste Disposal: A
Discourse on Space, Time, and Uncertainty*
Jennifer L. Stephens, Department of Philosophy, University of
Idaho, ladsocrates76@hotmail.com

Workshop 10— Conference Room 62

Environmental Pragmatism

Presider: Ben Hale, Department of Philosophy, University of
Colorado, bhale@colorado.edu

Norton's Conception of Sustainability: Political Not Metaphysical?
Kevin C. Elliott, University of South Carolina,
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Towards a Jamesian Environmental Philosophy

Piers H.G. Stephens, Lyman Briggs School of Science, Michigan State University, steph243@msu.edu

On the End of Nature or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Global Warming

Allen A. Thompson, Department of Philosophy, Clemson University, athomp6@clemson.edu

4:30 PM Coffee Break

-5:00 PM

5:00 PM Session F

-7:00 PM

Workshop 11 – Michigamme Room

Environmental History

Presider: Mark Luccarelli, Institute for Literature, Area Studies & European Language, University of Oslo, mark.luccarelli@ilos.uio.no

Forest Resource: Property Rights, Conflict and Devolution in Historical Context

Narendra Mangal Joshi, Hiroshima University

Environmentalists and Dictators: Some Remarks on Conservation in Nazi Germany

Frank Uekoetter, Department of History, Bielefeld University, frank.uekoetter@web.de

The Risks and Rewards of Modernizing Irrigation Systems in Mexico: The Case of the “Laguna” in Mexico, 1800-1920

Mikael Wolfe, University of Chicago, mdwolfe@uchicago.edu

Workshop 12 – Conference Room 62

Environmental Justice, Risk, and Identity

Presider: Trish Glazebrook, Department of Philosophy, Dalhousie University, pglazebr@dal.ca

(En)Gendering Environmental Justice: Ecofeminism and Environmental Jurisprudence

Chaone Mallory, Department of Philosophy, Villanova University, chaone@uoregon.edu

The Risky Business of Looking Pretty: Movements and Politics for Safe Cosmetics

Sabrina McCormick, Department of Sociology, Michigan State University, mccor124@msu.edu

Risk and Moral Development Framing in News Coverage of the Environmental Justice Movement

Kristen Alley Swain, William Allen White School of Journalism & Mass Communications, University of Kansas, kswain@ku.edu

7:15 PM Conference Dinner – Riverside Room

SUNDAY AUGUST 27TH

8:00 AM Breakfast – Centennial B & C

-9:30 AM

9:30 AM Session G

-11:30 PM

Workshop 13 – Michigamme Room

Risk and Technology

Presider: Vanesa Castan-Broto, University of Surrey, Vanesa.Castan.Broto@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

Playing God: The Idolatry of Deep Technologies and the Speculative Re-Orientations of Our Techno-Scientific World View

Philip Rose, Department of Philosophy, University of Windsor, prose@uwindsor.ca

Nanotechnology and the Environment

Ronald Sandler, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Northeastern University, r.sandler@neu.edu

Substantial Equivalence vs. the Precautionary Principle

Paul B. Thompson, Department of Philosophy, Michigan State University, thomp649@msu.edu

Workshop 14 – Conference Room 62

Literature and Ecology

Presider: Robert Shelton, Lyman Briggs School of Science,
Michigan State University, Shelton@msu.edu

To Have or To Be: Environmental Ethics Expressed in Original Poetry and Paintings

Katherine Fishburn, Independent Artist & Poet,
fishbur1@msu.edu

Subject/Matter: Narrative, Ethics, and Environmental Degradation

Cheryl Lousley, York University & Wilfrid Laurier University,
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Nature, Nurture, Mothers and Myth: An Ecofeminist Look at Barbara Kingsolver's "Homeland"

Catt Foy, Freelance Writer, St. Ambrose University,
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12:00 PM Lunch – Centennial B & C
-1:00 PM

1:00 PM Keynote Speaker – Centennial B & C

Ariel Salleh, EcoEthics Consulting, treesprite@ozemail.com.au

2:15 PM Visit to Lyman Briggs School of Science
-4:00 PM

4:00 PM General Plenary with All Keynote Speakers

-6:00 PM To be held outside Holmes Hall if weather permits.

John Barry, School of Politics, International Studies, and Philosophy,
Queen's University Belfast, j.barry@qub.ac.uk

Laura Westra, Department of Philosophy, University of Windsor,
University of York, laura.westra@ecointegrity.net

Arthur P.J. Mol, Department of Social Sciences, Wageningen
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Dale Jamieson, Department of Philosophy, New York University,
Dale.Jamieson@NYU.edu

Ariel Salleh, EcoEthics Consulting, treesprite@ozemail.com.au

6:00 PM Return to Kellogg Center

MONDAY AUGUST 28TH

8:00 AM Breakfast – Centennial B & C
-9:30 AM

9:30 AM Tour of Green MSU

-12:00 PM

Bus to MSU Plant & Soil Science Building.

Tour of Department of Horticulture gardens and
arboretum.

Followed by a presentation of MSU initiatives in green
roofs and sustainability.

12:00 PM Return to Kellogg Center

End of Conference

*Do you have any comments or suggestions
for the conference organizers?*

Please e-mail us with your feedback!

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Thanks for participating in our conference!

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