

Extractive Industries and the Environment: Production, Pollution and Protest from a Global and Historical Perspective

Workshop at the University of Oxford

Friday & Saturday 6-7 December 2019

Organisers: Dr. Iva Peša and Prof. Corey Ross

Friday 6 December 2019

09.30-09.45	Registration – Coffee and tea
09.45-10.00	Workshop introduction – Iva Peša
<i>SESSION 1: Imperialism and Resource Extraction (Chair: Netta Cohen)</i>	
10.00-10.30	Foraging for Modernity: Labour and Environment in the Collection of Sulphur and Lime, Dutch East Indies and the Australian Colonies, 1800–1950 – Susie Protschky and Ruth Morgan
10.30-11.00	Subterranean Frontier: Tin Mining, Empire and Environment in Southeast Asia – Corey Ross
11.00-11.15	Coffee and tea
<i>SESSION 2: Oil, Culture and Power (Chair: Frank Ükötter)</i>	
11.15-11.45	Oil, Empire and Environment: The Case of the British and the Bakhtiari in Early Twentieth-Century Persia – Guillemette Crouzet
11.45-12.15	Oil Drilling in the City: Los Angeles, Extraction and Space – Sarah S. Elkind
12.15-12.45	Popular Music Representation on Oil, Multinational Corporations and Environmental Degradation in Niger Delta, Nigeria 1950-2018 – Stephen Olusegun Titus
12.45-13.45	Lunch
<i>SESSION 3: Knowledge, Regulation and Conflict (Chair: Lorena Campuzano-Duque)</i>	
13.45-14.15	The Production of Miningscapes in the Open Pit Era, The Case of Low-Grade Copper: Bingham Canyon, U.S.A. and Chuquicamata, Chile (1903-1923) – Manuel Méndez, Damir Galaz-Mandakovic and Manuel Prieto
14.15-14.45	The Environmentalization of Mining in the Andes: From the Fumes of La Oroya to the Rise of Environmental Regulations and Conflict, 1920-2020 – José Carlos Orihuela
14.45-15.00	Coffee and tea
<i>SESSION 4: Environmental Mobilisation and Justice (Chair: William Beinart)</i>	
15.00-15.30	Mining Struggles in Argentina: Analysis of a Successful Story of Mobilization – Mariana Walter and Lucrecia Wagner
15.30-16.00	Is There a Global Environmental Justice Movement? – Joan Martínez Alier
16.00-16.30	General discussion
16.30-17.30	Drinks
17.30-19.00	A Post-Anthropocentric Politics: Can Neo-Materialist Theory Provide Effective Solutions To the Problems of Global Mining? – Timothy James LeCain (History Faculty Lecture Theatre)
19.30	Dinner (Al Shami, 25 Walton Crescent)

Saturday 7 December 2019

09.45-10.00	Coffee and tea
<i>SESSION 5: Afterlives of Extraction (Chair: Timothy LeCain)</i>	
10.00-10.30	Living with Socialism: Toward an Archaeology of (Post?)Soviet Mining Landscapes – Anatolijs Venovcevs
10.30-11.00	Possibilities for Post-Extractivism? Examining the Legacies of Mine Closure in Latin America – Gillian Gregory
11.00-11.15	Coffee and tea
<i>SESSION 6: Gender, Race and Environmental Protest (Chair: Eiko Honda)</i>	
11.15-11.45	Women Beneath the Surface: Coal and the Colonial State in India, 1920s-1940s – Urvi Khaitan
11.45-12.15	Mining Globalisers and Tribal Histories in Eastern India – Vinita Damodaran
12.15-12.45	A Brief History of the Extractive Industries in Contemporary China and its Social-Environmental Legacies – Juan Liu
12.45-13.45	Lunch
<i>SESSION 7: Environmentalism, Knowledge and Values (Chair: Amber Murrey)</i>	
13.45-14.15	The Pitfalls of Environmentalism in an African Rentier State: Oil and Ecological Preservation in Gamba, Gabon – Joseph Neal Mangarella
14.15-14.45	Between Waste and Profit: Environmental Values on the Zambian and Congolese Copperbelt – Iva Peša
14.45-15.00	Coffee and tea
15.00-15.30	General discussion and way forward
15.30-17.00	Drinks and closing, presentation by Nick Meynen of his book 'Frontlines: Stories of Global Environmental Justice'

Presentations will be limited to 15 minutes, PowerPoint facilities will be present in the room

Venue: Rees Davies Room, Faculty of History, George Street, OX1 2RL Oxford