


Dear Pathways community,

Welcome to our November Newsletter! This month, alongside the usual resources, opportunities and events we've also got some big Pathways news to share.

We are happy to announce our call for sessions is open for the conference "*Towards a just and habitable world: exploring the role of technology*". Submit a session proposal and join us in Lausanne next June for discussions and critical reflections on how we might transform technological systems towards justice, equity, and resilience. Find more details below.

Our next Forum is taking place on Friday, November 14th, from 15:00 - 17:00 CET. Far-right movements worldwide are reshaping how ecological issues are framed and contested. This webinar explores the urgent implications of such political dynamics for sustainability research and practice. Register and learn more about our speakers below.

Happy reading!

*Stephanie*
*& the Pathways Initiative Steering Group*



## Contributions from the community!

*We always welcome relevant contributions to share (events, opportunities and publications) for our next Pathways newsletter and Pathways social media. Please send content for consideration to stephanie.otoole@futureearth.org*

# Pathways News




**Call for sessions is now open! *Towards a just and habitable world: exploring the role of technology | Lausanne, 2-5 June 2026***

In an era of polycrisis, the need to interrogate the role of technologies in shaping our shared future has never been more urgent. To tackle the many questions this raises, our next conference *Towards a just and habitable world: exploring the role of technology* will explore how technological systems — past, present, and emerging — have the potential to both sustain and undermine well-being and life on Earth for humans and non-humans. **Deadline for submission: 9 January 2025.**

We welcome proposals for:

- Thematic sessions
- Workshops
- Cultural events
- Poster presentations

The conference is organised by University of Lausanne, Centre des Politiques de la Terre (Université Paris-Cité) and Future Earth Pathways Initiative.

**Learn more and apply!**




**Pathways Forum in our Deep Dive series: Far right ecologies: what challenges for sustainability science?**

For the sustainability science community, the growing influence of far-right ecologisms raises urgent questions. As climate issues become increasingly politicized within regressive agendas, scientists face mounting pressures: how to effectively communicate research in the face of coordinated disinformation campaigns; how to maintain

international collaboration amid ideological hostility; and how to protect the funding and institutional support critical for future research and climate action.

This Forum, inscribed in the wider Pathways Deep Dive series *"Ecological Crises and Political Tensions",* will critically examine the discourses and practices employed by far-right movements to co-opt, distort, or weaponize ecological issues.

We are grateful to be joined by:
**Speakers:**
Bernhard Forchtner, Associate Professor, University of Leicester
Balša Lubarda, MSCA Postdoctoral Fellow, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
Shehnoor Khurram, PhD candidate, York University, Fulbright Scholar and Visiting Researcher at Georgetown University

**Discussion Facilitator:**
Noémi Gonda, Researcher and Associate Professor, Swedish University of Agricultural Science

**Register now to the webinar!**

## Food for Thought

**Open Access Book: Imagining, Designing and Teaching Regenerative Futures: Art-Science Approaches and Inspirations From Around the World**

As we face the urgent need for new ways of learning and engaging with nature, this volume emphasizes the importance of humans as integral parts of living systems. By fostering a regenerative and holistic perspective while improving wellbeing for humans and non-humans, the book offers tools and methods that invite learners to reimagine their relationships with nature and with the future.

**Access the book here.**




## Events

**Online workshop series: Collectively Situated Knowledge: A decolonial research method for constructing collective auto-narratives and positionalities**

A decolonial learning experience focused on building collective auto-narratives, positionalities, and liberatory research practices through storytelling, assemblies, and community dialogue. The program welcomes researchers, artists, activists, and educators interested in transforming research into a collective, reciprocal practice.
Learn more here.

**Happening: Mondays and Tuesdays 16 November - 1 December 2025 (online)**



**Seminar: Transformative research in sustainability transitions – flavours and institutional contexts**

This seminar explores various research communities using participatory and action-oriented research to further just sustainability transitions. It also explores two intertwined challenges in doing transformative research: how researchers navigate ethical dilemmas in practice, and how universities can better support transformative research.
Learn more here.

**Happening: 20 November 13:00 – 14:00 CET (online)**

Spotlight

**COP30 Spotlight:**

Are you a scientist who will be at COP30 Brazil?

Future Earth is building a a roster of scientists - not limited to the Future Earth community, but inclusive of all researchers present at COP30. If you would like to be part of this roster and be considered for opportunities to contribute to the Planetary Science Pavilion, please complete this questionnaire.
Your responses will also help us create a shared calendar of the Sustainability Science community participation at COP30. This will provide a way to connect and engage with

colleagues during the event.

Please complete this short form to join the roster.



**Bridging worlds: exploring synergies between the arts and biodiversity conservation** (2025, Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment). Read here.

**Meaningful transdisciplinary collaborations for sustainability: local, artistic, and scientific knowledge** (2025, Ecology and Society). **Read here.**

**Energy justice without democracy? Energy transitions in the era of right-wing authoritarianism in Hungary** (2025, Energy Research and Social Science). Read here.

**Being in 'relation' but not necessarily in 'community': An alternative pathway for climate resilience** (2025, People and Nature). Read here.

## Opportunities

**Call for applications: Postdoctoral positions at Wageningen University**

The project "Politics of Conservation and Unequal Ecological Exchange in European Peripheries" combines approaches from three disciplines – social anthropology, environmental history and environmental politics to investigate how strict protection of nature reshapes socio-environmental relations in different mountain regions
Learn more here.

**Deadline to apply: 25 November 2025**

**Call for applications: Doctoral position at the University of Hamburg**

You will explore how climate predictions and narratives shape adaptive agency and how knowledge co-production in the Global South influences climate futures. You'll work across two projects (Varieties of Climate Agency & Co-creating Narrative-Based Climate Predictions) and contribute to a deeper understanding of how societies engage with climate uncertainty.
Learn more here.

**Deadline to apply: 1 December 2025**

**Call for contributions: Political Ecology of Resistance to Far-Right Authoritarianism**

At the POLLEN 2026 conference, there will be a panel on resistance to far-right authoritarianism and its relation to the environment. You are welcome to submit a contribution (in the form of a paper presentation or interactive workshop) to help us explore how political ecologists, activists, and communities are confronting authoritarian environmentalism - and shaping alternative, democratic, and sustainable futures.
Learn more here.

**Deadline to apply: 5 December 2025**

**Call for applications: Doctoral and postdoctoral position at University of Oulu**

This project examines how students in Finland, Spain, Sweden, and Denmark experience climate-related emotions. It aims to understand different forms and patterns of climate

hopelessness, explore how these emotions relate to engagement, civic action, and wellbeing, and identify what helps build resilience in the face of climate anxiety. Learn more here.

**Deadline to apply: 2 December 2025**

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