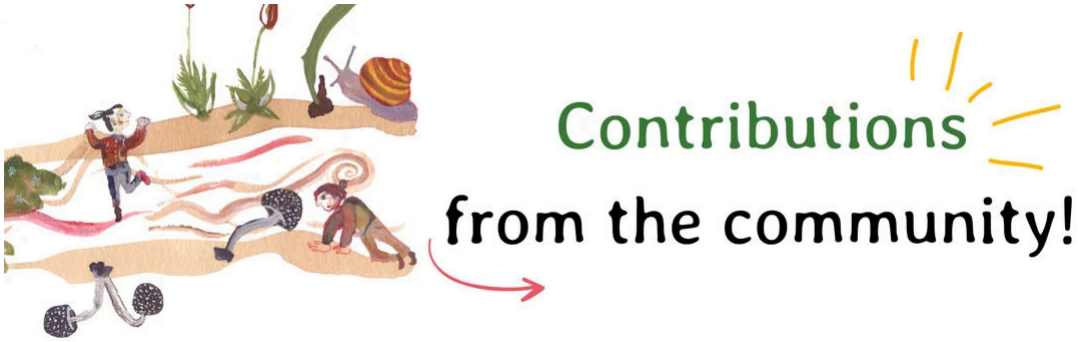


Dear Pathways community,

Welcome to September! We hope that the summer months brought you both rest and inspiration - in whatever form that may have taken for you.

In this month's newsletter, we are happy to share an exciting update: the launch of our new activity, the *Deep Dive*. Alongside this, as always, you will find the latest events, news, and opportunities for all those working to advance a more transformative sustainability science agenda.

Stephanie
& the Pathways Initiative Steering Group



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



Our new project “Pathways Deep Dive: Ecological Crises and Political Tensions” is exploring how far-right narratives and rising authoritarianism are affecting researchers, students and practitioners working on socio-ecological transitions. Learn more about our new project here.

You are invited to share your experiences, perceptions and strategies for navigating these times in a short, anonymous survey (it takes only 6 minutes to answer!). Your insights will help us better understand shared challenges and inform collective strategies.

How are political tensions shaping your work in sustainability science? Answer here!

Food for Thought

Zine: The What If Garden – A Field Guide to Radical Imagination (Utrecht University)

It is often said that we need more 'radical imagination' to challenge the status quo and envision societies otherwise. But what does that really mean? How might it be nurtured? And what role can approaches at the intersection of art and science play? The What If Garden (TWIG) invites you on a journey into radical imagination.

Learn more here.



Events



Scientists Responsibility Summit - The Duty to Act: The Scientist's Role in a Collapsing World

The Scientists Responsibility Summit invites a multidisciplinary, international audience of researchers to discuss the roles and responsibilities of scientists in the current social and geopolitical context.
Learn more here.

Happening: 11 October 2025, Berlin and online (live stream)

Spotlight

Podcast: Talking Naturescapes

"To truly transform cities, we need a collective imagination outside of our current system that dissolves the boundaries between nature and urban life - beyond patches of green on a grey map, toward a seamless, shared ecosystem."

Learn more here!

Exploring transformative spaces in sustainability transitions
(2025, Sustainability: Science, Practice and Policy). Read here.

Relationality is not WEIRD: the importance of relational thinking in the majority of the planet's societies
(2025, Ecosystems and People). Read here.

The *Lancet* One Health Commission: harnessing our interconnectedness for equitable, sustainable, and healthy socioecological systems
(2025, The Lancet). Read here.

Placing the Future
(2025, Knowledge and Space). Read here.

Advancing strong sustainability in transdisciplinary research: Opportunities, barriers, and strategies
(2025, Earth Stewardship). Read here.

Opportunities

Doctoral position: Coastal Resilience

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München is searching for a junior researcher that shall study and research with focus on the comparison, assessment and modeling of coastal resilience pathways in primarily the selected case areas in Europe and Asia coasts.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 7 September 2025

Call for abstracts: Rethinking planetary and sustainability governance through cosmological imaginaries

From the Copernicus Institute of Sustainable Development, Faculty of Geosciences, this workshop brings together researchers across the human, natural, and social sciences to explore how our understanding of Earth-Space systems can be informed by both premodern and modern cosmological imaginaries.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 7 September 2025

Archipel 2026 : appel à ateliers et à communications au sein de symposiums

Adossée à la charte de la communauté, la conférence francophone Archipel propose un cadre original de partage des connaissances et des formes de discussion qui permettent aux chercheurs et chercheuses de traditions diverses de travailler ensemble en vue d'une transformation de la société.
Plus d'infos.

Deadline to apply:
15 octobre 2025

Call for contributions: Where Do We Grow From Here: Environmental Justice and the Politics of Hope in the Planetary Age

The Center for Environmental Justice at Colorado State University is hosting a hybrid conference to continue the dialogue and inspire action on environmental justice. We invite proposals for papers, performances, events, and panels across the full scope of society and nature, encompassing all spatial and temporal scales, and all perspectives. These

may include scholars, students, and researchers from all disciplines, policymakers, practitioners, advocates, and community-based experts.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply:
20 October 2025

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