

Dear Pathways community,

Welcome to our February Newsletter! We hope the start of the year has been going well for you. As always, this month's edition brings together resources, opportunities, and community events that we hope you'll find both useful and inspiring.

In Pathways news, our call for sessions has been extended and is still **open until February 15th** for the conference "*Towards a just and habitable world: exploring the role of technology*". Submit a session proposal and join us in Lausanne this June for discussions and critical reflections on how we might transform technological systems towards justice, equity, and resilience.

If you want a detailed overview of **what we got up to in 2025**, our detailed activity report is now live on the Pathways website!

Stephanie
& the Pathways Initiative Steering Group



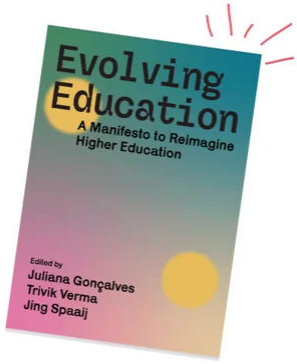
Contributions from the community!

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

Food for Thought

Evolving Education: A Manifesto to Reimagine Higher Education

Embracing critical insights from a diverse range of disciplines, the manifestos explore innovative perspectives, transformative strategies, and bold visions that can redefine the role of higher education in fostering critical thinking, justice, and societal impact. The book is a peer-enriched and edited volume written by academics, students, and education professionals to reimagine higher education in a bold exploration of the future of learning. Read the open-access book here.



Pathways News



Submit your session proposal! *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: 15 February 2026.

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, in partnership with CNRS, DKN (German Committee Future Earth), INRAE, IRD, and SCNAT (Swiss Academy of Sciences).

Learn more and apply!

Events

Forum: Foro Social Más Allá del Crecimiento se organiza desde los principios reflejados en la Declaración de la Confererencia Más Allá del Crecimiento, que sigue abierta a adhesiones colectivas e individuales mediante este formulario.
Happening: February 13th-14th, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid. Register here.

Webinar: Jonathan Koehler will speak on "Modelling sustainability transitions: An assessment of approaches and challenges". His presentation will be followed by a discussion around modelling organized and lead by the NEST group on complexity modelling. **Happening: February 26th, online**. Register here.

Conference: 6th Annual Meeting of the Political Psychology Network on the theme of Political Psychology, Climate Justice, and the Climate Emergency. **Happening: February 26th-27th, University of Vienna.** Register here.

🔸 **Co-envisioning an academia that fully embraces and supports early career researchers in interdisciplinary social-ecological research** (2026, Ecology and Society). Read here.

Whose knowledge counts for transformative change? – Operationalizing epistemic justice for transdisciplinary knowledge co-production (2026, Environmental Science and Policy). Read here.

Integrating more-than-human approaches in urban planning pedagogy: A case study from Europe (2026, Environmental Science and Policy). Read here.

🔸 **Decolonising Citation** (2026, Knowledge Creation, Dissemination, and Preservation Studies). Read here.

Opportunities

Call for doctoral studentships: Environmental Science at Södertörn University, Sweden

These doctoral studentships are within the Sustainability Challenges and Pathways research theme, which studies how sustainability is described, understood and practiced

in and across different contexts, and how it is and can be promoted and implemented at various levels from the local to the global.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 11 February

Call for postdoc applications: interdisciplinary and cross-European research project FOOD-FRAMES

The Digital Democracy Centre (DDC) at the University of Southern Denmark invites applications to explore a systems-approach to how the food information environment across European countries affects sustainable food choices, often hindering the transition to healthier and more sustainable diets.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 15 February 2026

Call for abstracts and posters: 5th International Transition Design Conference

The conference “Weaving Regenerative Futures,” brings together in Mexico City academics, researchers, activists, and professionals to exchange ideas on catalyzing systems change and transitions toward more sustainable and equitable long-term futures.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 15 February 2026

Call for workshops: By Design and by Disaster 2026

This conference serves as a platform for connecting diverse fields—design, art, science, activism, and rural/urban development. We are searching for practitioners, activists, and designers and other engaged people to lead hands-on workshops that promote collective action toward social and ecological transformation.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 28 February 2026

Call for abstracts: 17th International Sustainability Transitions Conference

We welcome contributions that engage with the conference theme ‘Hope—in challenging times’, relevant research issues connected to the STRN Thematic Groups, research agenda or emerging topics of interest for sustainability transitions.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 6 March 2026

Call for contributions: Toolkit for engaging people in social ecological resilience and Nature-based Solutions

Our goal with this e-book is to gather effective, inclusive and just strategies from around the world. We are hoping to collect engagement tools that are practical, effective and meaningful and seek to connect, inspire and empower different actors in their climate resilient journeys.
Learn more here.

Deadline to apply: 15 March 2026

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