

Spring Campus, April 1-5, 2019

Program PhD Workshop “Environmental Politics”, April 04-05, 2019

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Abstract

Environmental politics is not only an increasingly urgent matter in the face of global environmental threats, but also a growing field of study that critically examines power and institutions in decision-making processes with respect to allocation and management of natural resources. A political prism has been found to be a powerful tool in explaining policy processes, design, and outcomes with respect to allocation and protection of resources, such as air, water and energy.

This PhD workshop will explore questions related to the politics and conflicts that emerge around environmental issues and natural resources. The topics covered in the workshop may include a diversity of questions including the factors that drive disputes over environmental issues; the political behaviors that actors undertake to influence political outcomes such as coalition building, narrative framing contests, lobbying; the negotiation or collaboration strategies that are used to address political debates, and determinants of policy choice.

Attention by the panelists to the expansion or development of existing and new theories, as well as new empirical approaches for understanding the behaviors, processes, and outcomes of environmental politics will be encouraged.

Program Design PhD Workshop

The participants of the Ph.D. Workshop will have the opportunity to participate actively in the Spring Campus Conference. Participants can attend a research workshop of their choice on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 2-3. We encourage you to use this opportunity to present your research.

On Thursday and Friday, April 4-5, we will convene for the Ph.D. Workshop. Abstracts should be submitted by **February 7, 2019**.

The PhD workshops are organized in cooperation with [UNA Europa](#), a European network of universities, of which Freie Universität Berlin is a partner. PhD Candidates from the UAS and UNA partner universities will be thematically grouped in two parallel running workshops – **please indicate the title of the PhD workshop in your application.**

In addition to the conference-style presentation sessions, we will offer different training modules. Topics may range from presentations skills, research ethics, intercultural competence for academic settings, publication strategies etc. Participants can choose one of the trainings offered. Further information will be provided to accepted applicants.

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Thursday, 4 April 2019 • Fabeckstraße 23-25, Freie Universität Berlin

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<i>Time</i>	<i>Topic</i>
9:00 – 10:45 am	<p>Introductions</p> <p>Subnational Governance for Sustainability</p> <p>Urban sustainability policies in Canada and the challenge of social equality David Champagne, University of British Columbia</p> <p>Transnational, complex multi-actor interactions: Do they matter for the Israeli subnational climate governance? Ira Shefer, Technical University of Munich</p>
10:45 am	Coffee Break
11:00 - 12:30 am	<p>Narratives of Sustainability</p> <p>Assessment of the complexities of global narratives informing and shaping local, social and environmental policies in the Brazilian Amazon Francesco Bidone, Autonomous University of Barcelona</p> <p>Framing global climate change negotiations in Chinese news media Yeheng Pan, KU Leuven</p>
12:30 pm	Lunch
02:00 – 2:45 pm	<p>Social Networks</p> <p>Micro-Structural Network Effects and the Advocacy Coalition Framework: An Exponential Random Graph Model of a Canadian Climate Change Policy Collaboration Network Adam Howe, University of British Columbia</p>
02:45 pm	Coffee Break
03:00 – 5:30 pm	<p>PhD Training Sessions (all PhD students can choose one module)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training I: Logframes and Work Breakdown Structures – Core Elements of Research Proposals, chaired by Prof. Brigitta Schütt, Freie Universität Berlin • Training II: Research-Ethics, chaired by Prof. Pascal Borry, KU Leuven • Training III: Shaping Sustainability Discourses through Academic Writing, chaired by Dr. Andrea Kölbel, VDI/VDE IT GmbH • Training IV: Program Theory – A Tool for Participatory Planning and Evaluation, chaired by Sebastian Niedlich, Freie Universität Berlin

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<i>Time</i>	<i>Topic</i>
9:00 – 10:30 am	<p>Comparative Environmental Politics</p> <p>Environmental Risk Regulations in China and the United States: A Comparative Study Huanghong Li, Peking University</p> <p>Mentalities in Flux: Social Imaginaries in modern circular bio-based Societies – The Case of the Finish Timber and Forest Industry Jana Holz, Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena</p>
10:30 am	Coffee Break
10:45 - 12:15 am	<p>Comparative Environmental Politics II</p> <p>Who advises whom? Understanding environmental policymaking in Japan by classifying scientific advisers in environmental policy networks Manuela Hartwig, University of Tsukuba</p> <p>Water Desalination in Jordan Maureen Walschot, UCLouvain</p>
12:30- 12:45 pm	Concluding remarks
12:45 pm	Lunch