

WELCOME



Asia & Environment

Centre for World Environmental History & Sussex Asia Centre
13th May, Jubilee 155, University of Sussex

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS 09:00-09:15

Vinita Damodaran, (Centre for World Environmental History) **Magnus Marsden**, (Sussex Asia Centre)

KEYNOTE ADDRESS (1) 9: 15-10: 30

Professor Sivaramkrishnan (Yale University)

PANEL 1: 10:30-11: 30 Climate Change: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

CHAIR: Raminder Kaur

George Adamson (King's College London/Centre for World Environment History) "Climate history, post-normal science, adaptation and policy: transcending disciplinary boundaries in a South Asian context"

Lyla Mehta (IDS) "Local understandings of uncertainty and climate change: comparative perspectives from Kutch, the Sunderbans and urban India."

Vinita Damodaran (Centre for World Environmental History) and **James Hamilton** (Centre for World Environmental History) "Climate signals, environment and livelihoods in seventeenth century India"

11:30-11:45 BREAK

PANEL 2: 11:45-12: 45 Asian Environmentalisms

CHAIR: Vinita Damodaran

Dr Sam Geall (SPRU) "Citizen science, Chinese environmentalism and sustainability across Asia".

Raminder Kaur (Anthropology, Global Studies) "How to Crush a Reactor? Situating Anti-Nuclear Movements, the 'Foreign Hand' and Transnational (Dis)Connectivities"

Pin-Hsien Wu (Global Studies) "Reconsidering the notion of 'authoritarian environmentalism': China-India in comparative perspective"

12:45-13:00 PRESENTATION ON ARCHIVE HOLDINGS IN THE BRITISH LIBRARY

13:00-14:00 LUNCH

KEYNOTE ADDRESS (2) 14:00 – 15:15

Professor Sunil Amrith (Harvard University)

PANEL 3: 15:15-16: 15 Environment, the State and Asian Communities

CHAIR: Filippo Osella

Smita Yadav (Anthropology, Global Studies)

'The Environment- Human and Animal Conflict in India'
Nick Nisbett (IDS) 'Food, nutrition and policy in Bangladesh's Haor Wetlands: the meeting of 'rich' ecologies and poor communities in national and regional contexts'

Andrea Brock (International Relations, Global Studies)

"Love for sale": Biobanking and the struggle to commodify nature in Sabah, Malaysia

16:15-16:30 BREAK

PANEL 4: 16:30-17:30 Long Distance Trade and the Environment

CHAIR: Magnus Marsden, (Sussex Asia Centre)

Tom Chambers (Anthropology, Global Studies)

"The politics of Wood Wholesaling in India: Supply, Environment & Debt"

Seyyid Mohamad Faisal (Anthropology, Global Studies)

"Fish Processing: Environment and Moral Anxieties among the Businessmen"

Alex Aisher (Anthropology, Global Studies)

"The Taking Environment: Scarcity and Alterity as Drivers of Value"

DISCUSSION, FUTURE AGENDAS: 17:30-18:00

RECEPTION, THE DHABA: 18:00-19:00