

PE-3C

Political Ecologies of
Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation

NEWSLETTER

Welcome

Last week, Donald Trump promised that, if he would become President, he would pull the United States out of the U.N. global climate accord, approve the Keystone XL oil pipeline from Canada and rescind measures by President Barack Obama to cut U.S. emissions and protect waterways from industrial pollution. Meanwhile, South Africa's Supreme Court of Appeal has made way for the legal domestic trade of rhino horns. According to proponents, the revenues that this creates can be used for nature conservation and a further 'securitization' in the war against poaching. These are only two important examples that took place last week, showing the increasing importance of political ecology, and how this academic field is crucial in understanding the workings of conflict, capitalism and contestation, the three central themes of the PE-3C conference.

In Wageningen, we are getting more excited every day to understand such dynamics and its consequences, now that the first POLLEN conference PE-3C is getting nearer. With the programme in place, bursaries being organized, and two other interesting happenings announced, we hope that you enjoy this second newsletter and that you also feel ready to say what's on your mind about your political ecological topic!

The PE-3C Programme

The preliminary programme for the conference is online! We hope you are as excited about the programme as we are: it boasts a wide variety of panels about important political-ecological issues, including water justice, indigeneity, extractivism, eviction, violence, new technologies, and so on. If you want to find your own presentation quickly, use the Ctrl+F search bar.

A book of abstracts has also been added so that you can get more information about any of the papers that you are interested in.

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Bursaries

We are happy to announce that the PE-3C Organizing Committee has been able to support 17 people with travel assistance to the conference, ranging from places such as Harare, Melbourne, London, Munich, Bhutan and New Delhi. A warm welcome to all of you!

Conference about the SDGs

From **27 to 29 June 2016**, researchers, students, policymakers and NGOs, will gather at the University of Amsterdam to critically review the newly adopted Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), at the conference **Critical perspectives on governance by Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**. Keynote speakers include Abdeluheh Choho (Deputy Mayor, Amsterdam), Pieter van der Vliet, (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands), Hans Mommaas (Director PBL), Kitty van der Heiden (World Resources Institute) and Farah Karimi (Director, Oxfam Novib), amongst many others!

For more information see the website or contact the organization at info-csds@uva.nl

Justicia Hídrica Alliance and International WaTERS Network Water Inequality Workshop

The Justicia Hídrica Alliance and the International WaTERS Network will have a joint 1-day workshop immediately following the PE-3C conference, on 10 July. The networks' workshop participants will discuss research on the broad themes of the JH Alliance and International Waters Network (the latter particularly focusing on IW pilot sites Lima, Cape Town, and Bangalore), with the goal of preparing for a special issue journal. For this meeting, broad themes of interest for Justicia Hídrica and the IW Network include focus on water (in)equities/grabbing, governance/governmentality, cultural politics, access and equity, climate change and resilience, hydro-social territories and rural-urban linkages, particularly in the global South (or highlighting North-South linkages). Our day-long workshop will involve presentations, debate, discussion of the draft articles in process, as well as several hours to deliberate on themes that connect the case studies and the networks, also to strategize for future funding opportunities and collaborative/comparative research.



If you are interested in attending the workshop or have any questions please contact internationalwatersubc@gmail.com or scott.obrien.mckenzie@gmail.com

Anyone is invited to join the International Waters list serve—please just email to one of the emails above.

POLLEN Roundtable

You are kindly invited to join the POLLEN Roundtable at PE-3C, at 8 July, 09.30-11.00. As a relatively new network, we hope to inform you of the current status of the network and to gain input from you as participants of the best ways to proceed this growing network.

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Next newsletter

In our next newsletter, we will provide more information on practicalities, such as public transport, walking routes, etc. Moreover, we will give some recommendations for nice things to do, in case you are planning to hang around a bit longer after the conference or if you arrive early.

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For more information visit the official conference website:
www.wageningenur.nl/pe-3c

For more information on POLLEN visit:
<http://politicalecologynetwork.com/>

