Research & Degrowth, (R&D) is an academic association dedicated to research, training, awareness raising and events organization around degrowth.

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Research & Degrowth Newsletter, May 2016

We have several academic publications on degrowth this year that we have collected in this newsletter. On top of the now usual(!) extensive section on Degrowth in the news we have a new section on lectures this time with Giorgos Kallis and Richard Norgaard. Also check out the degrowth proposals for this summer in Europe. Let us know if you have other proposals in other parts of the world!

#### **R&D News**

- 1. Special Issue on Socially Sustainable Degrowth in the top 100 must reads selected by Springer.
- 2. Call for help to generate an **audiobook of Degrowth**: A Vocabulary for a New Era More info and some audios at More info at: https://degrowthaudiobook.wordpress.com/
- 3. Regular updates on our activities?

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#### **Academic Publications**

Global Environmental Change open access special issue of papers that significantly advance the frontiers of knowledge about adaptation

Martinez-Alier, J., Temper, L., Del Bene, D., & Scheidel, A. (2016). Is there a global environmental justice movement. The Journal of Peasant Studies. 1-25.

Calligaris, G., & Bellini, R. T. (2015). The end of the Yasuni-ITT initiative: considerations in a buen vivir perspective. International Journal of Environmental Policy and Decision Making, 1(3), 240-260.

Joutsenvirta, M. (2016). A practice approach to the institutionalization of economic degrowth. Ecological Economics, 128, 23-32.

Ramos-Martin, J. (2016). Biophysical limits of current debates on degrowth and the knowledge economy (No. 2016\_04). Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO).

Vetter, J. E. (2016). Metamorphosis I: A study of Degrowth, investigating conceptual sustainability in theory and transformative potential in practice.

Natale, A., Di Martino, S., Procentese, F., & Arcidiacono, C. (2016). De-growth and critical community psychology: Contributions towards individual and social well-being. Futures, 78, 47-56.

Hornborg, A. (2016). How to turn an ocean liner: A proposal for voluntary degrowth by redesigning money for sustainability, justice, and resilience. Journal of Political Ecology (Special issue on Culture, Power, Degrowth).

Drews, S., & Antal, M. (2016). Degrowth: A missile word that backfires?. Ecological Economics, 126, 182-187.

## Lectures

Why Degrowth is not Malthusian. Watch Giorgos Kallis lecture at SOAS

Limits without scarcity? IKD Research Centre? Ooen University - Giorgos Kallis talks about Malthus, degrowth, eco-modernism and the commons.

ERG 22nd Annual Lecture 2016: Richard Norgaard explains how economism became a religion.

# **Books**

The Discreet Charm of Economic Growth: Part I: The Bilinguals and Part II: the making of an overriding preference By Robert Baltazhar

Green Growth, Ideology, political economy and policy alternatives. Edited by Gareth Dale, Manu V. Mathai and Jose A. Puppim de Oliveira

A Future Beyond Growth: Towards a Steady State Economy. Edited by Haydn Washington, Paul Twomey

## Degrowth in the News

Launch of the UK All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Limits to Growth, in London.

Parliamentary group warns that global fossil fuels could peak in less than 10 years

British MPs launch landmark report on impending environmental ?limits? to economic growth by Nafeez Ahmed

Interview in Catalan TV3 on Pobreza energética (energy poverty) with Giacomo d'Alisa. He talks about energy production models and the changes needed for a socio-economic paradigm change. Can be found at http://www.ccma.cat/tv3/accio-politica/

Blog post - The dangerous fantasy of decoupling

Blog post - Again and again: supposed evidence for decoupling emissions from growth is not what it seems by Mark Buton

Blog post ? Why we need degrowth. Giorgos Kallis responds to a three-part critique by Andy Stirling of his ideas on the Degrowth Hypothesis.

Blog post in ENTITLE- Post-Paris Activism: How to Build an Effective Global Struggle to Tackle Climate Change

Blog post - Universal Basic Income in India ? a promising experience

Article - Can Masdeu: A Catalan Eco-Community Showing the Potential of Degrowth by Steve Rushton

Article - What would society look like with universal basic income? By Laurie Penny

Interview - George Monbiot: Never-Ending Growth Cannot Be Sustained on a Finite Planet

Article ? In an Age of Privilege, not everyone is in the same boat. The velvet rope economy. By Nelson S. Schwartz.

Article - Crash and Burn. You can?t have capitalist growth without environmental destruction. Written

by Kate Aronoff

Article - Limits to growth: policies to steer the economy away from disaster by Samuel Alexander

Blog post - Degrowth beyond environmentalism: Or shaking the temple of growthism, speaking the growth taboo, and sowing the seeds of generative doubt. ? Irma Allen

Blog post - Exit from the Megamachine- Why a social-ecological transformation is impossible without changing the deep structures of our economy By By Fabian Scheidler

Article - Neoliberalism? the ideology at the root of all our problems by George Monbiot

Article - We only get one life, don't spend it all at work: in praise of the four-day week By Mark Rice-Oxlev

Article - How not to argue against reducing hours of labor by Jehu

Article - We?re out of time on climate change. And Hillary Clinton helped get us here By Naomi Klein

Blog post - A radical political-ecological view on Jeremy Rifkins Third Industrial Revolution, five years later By Andreas Roos

Article - What the west can learn from Japans lost decades By Roland Kelts

Article Despair FatigueHow hopelessness grew boring By David Graeber

Article - Labor in the Age of Climate Change

Aticle - Any just transition to a green economy must take place on labors terms ? not capitals. By Stefania Barca

Blog post Going beyond the ecological turn in the humanities By Aaron Vansintjan Blog post Building Walls cannot be the Answer By Jonathan Mcintosh

Film? Keep connecting the dots

Article Neoliberalism has hijacked our vocabulary By Doreen Massey

Article - Degrowth: A Snail?s Eye View of Social Transformation and Ecological Preservation By Andrea Levy

Article A critique of Leigh Phillips? assertion of the Tech-Fix Ecomodernist faith By Ted Trainer

Film? Documental Decrecimiento

#### Other

Great Project: The Solution Library By the Global Ecovillage Network: Global exchange of knowledge and expertise, empowering people everywhere to apply workable solutions.

## **Events and Calls**

Many events on degrowth this summer :)

1 - The Budapest conference openned registration for those who are not presenting papers or session - only 100 places

In June 1 there will be a call for re-localized events (events taking place in different parts of the world, but related to the conference). More info at http://budapest.degrowth.org/?page\_id=271.

- 2 The degrowth summer school of ICTA/R&D in Barcelona will take place between 4th and 16th of July. Candidates have been selected. Its an exciting program and amazing applicants
- 3 Several exciting meetings and actions for this summer in Rhineland (Germany)!

The degrowth summer school and Climate Camp of Rhineland will take place between the 19th-29th of August 2016.

2016 will see another Climate Camp in the Rhineland! There will be networking, education and actions... and trying out tomorrow's society today - social, ecological and based on grassroots democracy. The camp the Degrowth Summer School will take place once again, where the concept of degrowth is put into action: by learning practical skills and analyzing political and economic developments.?

The mass action of civil disobedience Ende Gelände, during which 1000 people shut down the huge lignite mine of Garzweiler last year, is taking place again this year from the 13th to the 16th of May in the Lusatia region in the east of Germany.

In the Rhineland there will also be an action laboratory, where new forms of action will be tried and tested. If you're interested in participating in the organization of it or have any questions, please contact the group <a href="mailto:ausgeco2hlt">ausgeco2hlt</a>.

So there are a lot of good reasons to come to the Rhineland. But the best is to see for yourself by watching the video of last years event (in German and English with optional subtitles): http://www.degrowth.de/en/2015/12/video-degrowth-summer-school-climate-camp-2015/

#### More info

http://www.klimacamp-im-rheinland.de/en/ http://www.degrowth.de/en/summer-school-2016/ http://www.ausgeco2hlt.de/

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