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## Earthly Multitudes and the Challenge of a Self-Differentiating Planet

We might view sustainability as an especially cramped and fearful response to the challenges of a dynamic, self-differentiating Earth. In this talk, using the concept of ‘earthly multitudes’ (Clark and Szerszynski 2021) Prof. Clark will be looking at some of the many ways that humans respond to both the threats and the opportunities that arise out of our planet’s capacity to transform itself. After focusing on the excessive, unpredictable aspects of tapping into planetary forces, the talk will circle back on the issue of how strategies of growth and accumulation – including sustainability – avoid facing up to the excess inherent in the Earth itself.

**Wednesday, 30th June 2021**  
**06:00 PM**  
**via Zoom Webinar**

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