Sustainable Welfare & Eco-Social Policy Network | Kick-Off Meeting | 19th September 2022
Relevant contact details

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• Register for the mailing list: https://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?SUBED1=SUSTAINABLEWELFARE&A=1

• General infos on the network, activities etc.: https://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/fachbereich-sozoek/professuren/zimmermann/ecowelfarenet.html ONLY INTERIM PAGE!
Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Networking of participants
3. Planned activities of the network
4. Next events
5. Informal get-together
2. Networking of participants

• Previous network initiatives
  • short presentation of groups

• Participant presentation
  • Which country are you located?
  • What is your affiliation?
  • What is your interest in eco-social policy and sustainable welfare?

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Your country

- Germany
- Finland
- Belgium
- United Kingdom
- Austria
- Italy
- Sweden
- Norway
- Scotland
- Portugal
- Greece
- Turkey
- United States

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What is your interest in eco-social policy and sustainable welfare?

- Policy collection
- Social security, unemployment policies
- Social Risks/Environmental risks
- Understanding wellbeing
- Politics of sustainable welfare
- Social insurance reform

- Happiness
- Eco-social attitudes
- Green social work
- Sustainable work
- Degrowth
- Growth (n-)dependency

- Just transition
- Sustainable wellbeing
- Growth dependency
- Global Eco-Social Policy
- Socially just, inequality-reducing green transition
- Basic social services

- Growth/independence
- Attitudes towards eco-social policies
- Family policies: parental leave, childcare, gender equality
- Energy poverty
- Health/climate nexus
- Politics of just transition

- De-colonial perspectives
- Alliance-building
- Sustainable consumption
- Just Transition
- Metabolic relations
- Just transition

- Work-welfare nexus
- Conflicts and trade-offs
- Redistributive issues
- Degrowth/post-growth/local initiatives
- Just transition
- Sustainable work

- Mainstreaming climate in the discipline
- Policy solutions
- Women’s rights and welfare
- Work & gender
- Sufficiency
- Just transitions

- Degrowth
- Social security
- Labor markets and green transition
- Just Transition Sustainable Energy Transition/Renewable expansion
- Climate change policies and elderly wellbeing/pension systems
- Ecosocial/Welfare Regime

- Sustainable Work
- Post-growth, social protection and collection
- Inequality in a post-growth economy
- Social inequality, transition policies
- Social inequality in climate policies and attitudes
- Just transition
- Ecocentric

- Post-growth, social protection and collection
- Degrowth, and social just transition
- Working-time reduction
- Social protection in climate policies and attitudes
- Social protection in socio-ecological transitions
- Basic income
- Just transition

- Needs satisfaction, attitudes, mentalities
- Sustainable Work
- Power decentralization
- Universal Basic Services
- Politics of eco-social policies
- Politics of wellbeing
- Gender justice

- Eco-social work
- Postcapitalism
- Systemic transformation, money
- Politics of eco-social policies
- Design and implementation of eco-social policies in the EU
- Norms

- Implications of digitalization
- Systemic transformation, money
- Politics of eco-social policies
- Just transition, the integration of social and ecological policies, especially in EU policy frameworks
- Trade unions and labour interests in a post-growth scenario
- Just transition, die-growth
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3. Newsletter
4. Conference Streams
5. Funding for meetings
6. Steering board
7. Other activities
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Bi-monthly colloquium

26th October 14.00 - 16.00 (CET)
Opening lecture with Prof. Ian Gough

Mid December
Research agenda in sustainable welfare

Mid February
Varieties of Eco-Welfare States

...& many more to come...

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Topics for the colloquium

- Green employment policies
- Urban ecosocial policy
- Normative framework
- Urban ecosocial welfare states
- Mitigation strategies
- Agroecology
- Social reproduction
- Ecosocial work
- Social inequality
- Eco-social security
- Social justice
- Social risks
- Degrowth
- Social transformation
- Just transition
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- Info (no discussion) list
- unmoderated
- Please send timely announcement (call for ...., events, job postings, etc.) to the list: SUSTAINABLEWELFARE@JISCMAIL.AC.UK
- Registration: https://www.jiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/webadmin?SUBED1=SUSTAINABLEWELFARE&A=1

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- Frequency 4 times/year
- Content:
  - Events
  - Call for participants
  - Call for papers
  - New publications (books, journals, papers)
  - New Policy briefs/reports
  - Job offers
  - Educational resources (summer schools, courses)
  - New projects

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Coordination of conference streams or special session

For ESPAnet 2023, please contact:
Katharina Bohnenberger
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• Application for COST-Action in 2023
  • When granted: open for everyone to join
  • Proposal: delicate group composition
  • If you are from an ITC country and interested in collaboration, please send email to Katharina Z. (katharina.zimmermann@uni-hamburg.de)
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- Tuuli Hirvilammi, University of Tampere (colloquium)
- Katharina Zimmermann, University of Hamburg (newsletter)
- Matteo Mandelli, University of Milano (policy contact)
- Katharina Bohnenberger, University of Duisburg-Essen (internal & conference streams)
  - ....
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- Policy contact & stakeholders’ dialogue
- Young scholars/students
- Syllabus/teaching exchange
- Twitter/website
- Logo
- ....

LET’S DISCUSS TOGETHER!
Discussion on further activities, ideas

- Critical exchange about the institutions we work in, they are as much part of the problem as of the solution, how do we need to change ourselves as researchers and teachers
  - Is the university/academic system fit for purpose to address the challenges and opportunities of the existing crisis?
  - Can we continue with academia/teaching as usual?
  - Interdisciplinary/transdisciplinary research that includes non-academic knowledge

- Stakeholder exchange
  - Trade Unions should be involved, because they have a crucial rule in the transformation
  - Space for exchange between researchers and NGOs/ civil society
  - Alternating Talks with policy makers and researchers
  - List of colleagues and their research interests who are willing to give talks to students, NGOs, political activists

- Important to identify which bodies are engaged with policy makers (national, regional, local levels)

- Website for the Network, rather than a positioning on Social Media

- Connecting with climate change networks, climate change research community

- Opportunities for young scholars to get introduced to the fields and exchange with senior scholars

- Resource of who is dealing with which topics, mentorship program

- Website for people to get to know about the newsletter etc.

- Space for informal chatting, maybe a telegram group if research gate is not sufficient

- Listing journals with papers on the topic

- Share Information on PHD students and master students who are working on the topic
Next Activities

- 7th October DIFIS Biennale: Official Launch of the Network in the Stream "Climate Change and Social Policy“ (https://difis.org/vernetzen/fis-forum-en-/
- 26th October Colloquium Opening lecture with Prof. Ian Gough
- November: first Newsletter
- Next network meeting: in around 6 months
Informal Get-together

Let’s get to know each other using break-out rooms!
Breakout group discussions:

- **teaching:**
  - Syllabus exchange will be made in an organized session around this topic
  - Encourage students to participate in colloquium
  - Later: compile a list of potential thesis supervisors
  - Contact: tuuli.hirvilammi@tuni.fi

- **Stakeholder**
  - Organize local/national roundtables (perhaps first at Queen’s university Belfast)
  - Involve unions and social movements (perhaps at EUI or ETUI)
  - Collect materials to share with stakeholders
  - Call for identifying/contacting stakeholders in the next newsletter (Matteo to do so)
  - Contact: matteo.mandelli@unimi.it

- **Joining the steering board**
  - Three people have expressed an interest in joining the board; further info will follow
  - If you are interested into getting actively involved as part of the steering board, please email katharina.bohenberger@uni-due.de with a proposal of tasks you would like to do.
Initiatives, networks and resources on the eco-social topic from the chat

• ESPAnet research streams in the past e.g. https://www.espanet-vienna2022.org/programme
• International Research & Policy Network on Sustainable Welfare/Streams at ESEE conferences: https://www.researchgate.net/project/International-Research-Policy-Network-on-Sustainable-Welfare
• Gruppo di ricerca eco-welfare: https://www2.units.it/ecowelfare/
• Degrowth Journal: https://degrowthjournal.org/
• UNESCO Inclusive Policy Lab: https://en.unesco.org/inclusivepolicylab/
• Faculty for Future: https://facultyforafuture.org/
• DIFIS-Survey: Klimasozialpolitik. Ein Forschungsstandbericht zur Verbindung von Klimapolitik und Sozialpolitik (State of the art report in German): https://difis.org/institut/publikationen/publikation/24
• Event „Ökologische Gewerkschaftspolitik“: https://www.ev-akademie-tutzing.de/veranstaltung/lohn-und-erde-oekologische-gewerkschaftspolitik/
• 21st ESPAnet Annual Conference 2023, Challenges for the welfare state in turbulent times: https://espanet-warsaw2023.org/
• 9th International Degrowth Conference: https://degrowth.info/de/9th-international-degrowth-conference-people-planet-care-it-spells-degrowth