

ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORIES OF POST-INDUSTRIAL NUCLEAR SITES: AN INTERDISCIPLINARY DIALOGUE

25-26 September, 2025

Università di Napoli Federico II – Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici
Biblioteca di Area Umanistica, Piazza Bellini 60

25 September, Sala Refettorio

■ 9.00 | Institutional greetings

Andrea Mazzucchi, Director of the Department of Humanities,
University of Naples Federico II

■ 9.15 | Opening remarks

Elisabetta Bini, University of Naples Federico II

■ 9.30 | Keynote Lecture

Teva Meyer, University of Haute-Alsace
Materialities of Power and the Political Geography of Nuclear Things

■ 10.30 | Coffee break

■ 11.00 | First session

Chair: Barbara Curli, University of Turin

Megan Eardley, KTH
*Reclaiming the Future? Organized Labor and Uranium Exposure
in Post-Apartheid South Africa*

Andrei Stsiapanau, Södertörn University
*Reevaluating the Environmental Impact of the Soviet Nuclear Program:
An Archival Study of the Ignalina Nuclear Power Plant in Lithuania*

Discussants:

Markku Lehtonen, Pompeu Fabra University
Gabiella Rago, University of Turin

■ 13.30 | Lunch break

■ 14.30 | Second session

Chair: Mauro Elli, University of Milan Statale

Linda Ross, University of the Highlands and Islands
*Decommissioning as an Endangerment Narrative:
Nuclear Cultural Heritage-making*

Federica Fava, University of Roma Tre

*(Un)hearing Atomic Voices. The Borgo Sabotino Former Nuclear Power Plant
between Urban Wellbeing and Territorial Reconciliation*

■ 15.30 | Coffee break

Oana Tiganea, Polytechnic of Milan

*Ștei, The "Secret Uranium City": The Hidden Legacy of the Cold War between
Ecology and Preservation*

Leila Dawney, University of Exeter

Decommissioning Dreams of Progress: Temporality, Endurance and Living on

Discussants:

Valerio Caruso, CNR-ISMed
Markku Lehtonen, Pompeu Fabra University

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■ 9.30 | Third session

Chair: Elisabetta Bini, University of Naples Federico II

Davide Orsini, Rachel Carson Center, University of Munich

Pioneers and Guinea Pigs: Echoes from Latina's Post-nuclear Futures

Petra Tjitske Kalshoven, University of Manchester

Dwelling on Storied Land: Nuclear Leftovers in Scotland's Far North

■ 10.30 | Coffee break

Chiara Zampieri, University of Naples Federico II

*The Long Decommissioning: Politics, Mobilizations, and the Environment
following the Shutdown of the Garigliano Nuclear Power Plant*

Adna Čamdžić, University of Turin

*From "Miracle" to "Nuclear Cemetery": Governing the Afterlife of Caorso's
Power Plant*

Discussants:

Laura Ciglioni, Sapienza University of Rome
Simone Neri Sermeri, University of Florence

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