

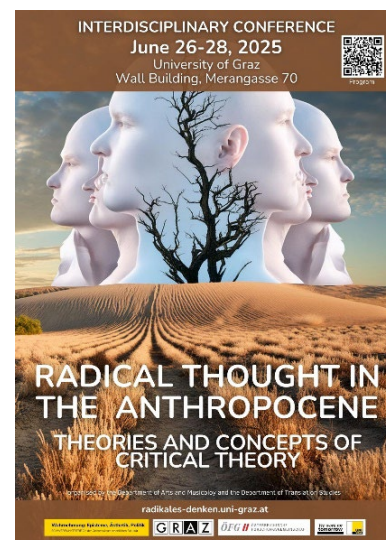
Radical Thought in the Anthropocene Theories and Concepts of Critical Theory

June 26 - 28, 2025

University of Graz

Merangasse 70, ground floor

MR 33.0.010/SÜ33.0.008



Thursday, June 26, 2025

13.30 Opening	WELCOME ADDRESSES (MR 33.0.010) Dr. Peter Riedler, Rector of the University of Graz Prof. Dr. Arne Ziegler, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities Representative of the City of Graz
14.00-15.00	KEYNOTE 1 (MR 33.0.010) Michael J. Thompson (William Patterson University, New York), online The Dialectic of Life: Critique and the Ethos of Living
Coffee Break (15.00-15.30)	
	Workshop 1 LANGUAGE, TRANSLATION, SOCIETY Chair and Introduction: Stefan Baumgarten & Stefan Brandt (University of Graz)
15.30-17.00	SESSION 1 (MR 33.0.010) Translation, Relationality and Critical Pedagogy Sare Rabia Öztürk (Boğaziçi University Istanbul): <i>Translation as Encounter: Practicing Critical Social Theory through Examining Borders and Events of Relation</i> Nicole Haring, Eva Katharina Bauer (University of Graz): <i>Let's Imagine...: Speculative Critical Thinking as Ecopedagogy in the Anthropocene</i>
Coffee Break (17.00-17.30)	

17.30-19.00	<p>SESSION 2 (MR 33.0.010)</p> <p>The Anthropocene and its Discontents</p> <p>Leo Roepert (University of Hamburg): <i>The Identitarian Myth. A Critique of the Conformist Revolt</i></p> <p>Jonathon Catlin (University of Rochester): <i>When Is Catastrophism Critical? Rethinking the Frankfurt School for the Anthropocene</i></p> <p>Verena Wurth (University of Cologne): <i>The Anthropocene as a Crimecene</i></p>	<p>SESSION 3 (SÜ 33.0.008)</p> <p>Language, Power, and Ecology</p> <p>Steffi Hobuß (Leuphana University Lüneburg): <i>Critical theory and philosophy of language in the early 20th century. A difficult relationship</i></p> <p>Amit Pramanick, (Parul University, Gujarat): <i>Ecocriticism and Anthropocene: Navigating A Comparative Study of The South Asian Literary Texts from Past to Present</i></p> <p>Lukas Meisner (University of Erfurt): <i>False needs: Defending a Core Concept of Critical Theory for the Socio-Ecological Transformation</i></p>
Dinner (19.30)		

Friday, June 27, 2025

09.30-10.30

KEYNOTE 2 (MR 33.0.010)

Rodrigo Duarte (University of Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte)

The Anthropophagy Project and the Layers of Recognition

Coffee Break (10.30-11.00)

Workshop II

MATERIALISM, AESTHETICS, POLITICS

Chair and Introduction: Susanne Kogler & Juliane Jarke (University of Graz)

11.00-12.30

SESSION 1 (MR 33.0.010)

Materialism, Aesthetics, Politics: Poster presentation

Students of the University of Graz

Critical Theory & Aesthetics

Antonia Hofstätter (University of Warwick): *On the Limits of Natural Beauty: Reflections on Adorno's Aesthetics in the Age of the Anthropocene*

Lunch Break (12.30-13.30)

13.30-15.00

SESSION 2 (MR 33.0.010)

Good life, technology & capitalist friction in the Anthropocene

Christoph Haffter (University of Basel): *Materialism as Critical Theory*

Wolfgang Deutsch-Pernsteiner (University of Vienna): *Technopathologies. Re-actualizing Critical Theory*

Anna Luisa Coli; Luciana Nacif (University of Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte): *Three Lenses on Mediated Perception: From Usurpation of Schematism to Automation of Perception*

SESSION 3 (SÜ 33.0.008)

Social bonds, the arts & critical empathy

Loredana Filip, (independent researcher): *Critical Empathy: Towards a New Theory of Reading*

Eckehard Pistrick (Gustav Mahler Private University For Music, Klagenfurt): *Sonic potentialities - Thinking radically through sound*

Coffee Break (15.00-15.30)

16.00-17.30

SHORTFILM *Reality+* (dir. Coralie Fargeat, 2014) and PANEL DISCUSSION Geidorf Kunst kino, Geidorfplatz 1a

with Antonia Hofstätter (University of Warwick), Guilherme Maia De Oliveira Wood, Saptarshi Mallick, Susanne Kogler (all University of Graz)

Presentation: Stefan Baumgarten (University of Graz)

Reception (18.45)

Saturday, June 28, 2025

9.30-10.30

KEYNOTE 3 (MR 33.0.010)

Sven Kramer (Leuphana University Lüneburg)

Benjamin's Practice of Radical Thinking in Exile. On the Relationship Between Man and Nature in his "Berlin Childhood around 1900"

Coffee Break (10.30-11.00)

Workshop 3

HUMANS, SPIRIT, WORLD RELATION

Chair and Introduction: Sonja Rinofner-Kreidl & Denis Džanić (University of Graz)

11.00-12.30

SESSION 1 (MR 33.0.010)

Contriving and Challenging Different Conceptions of the Anthropocene

Ádám Lovász (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest),
Márk Horváth (Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Eger): *The Anthropocene Challenge to Modern Ways of Thinking: Dipesh Chakrabarty and the Concept of Geohistory*

Edvardas Šumila (The New School for Social Research, New York, Lithuanian Academy of Music and Theatre, Vilnius): *From Second Nature to Milieu: Individuation and Critique in the Anthropocene*

SESSION 2 (SÜ 33.0.008)

On the Prospects of Critical Humanities in the Anthropocene

Kanika Godara (Galgotias University): *Exploring the Interplay of Science and Humanities: Towards a Radical Paradigm Shift in Anthropocene Discourse*

Debora Eller (University of Bonn): *Subjects that are made into bodies. A materialist and psychoanalytic approach to the emancipatory subject*

Lunch Break (12.30-14.00)

14.00-15.30

SESSION 3 (MR 33.0.010)

Contriving and Challenging Different Conceptions of the Anthropocene

Andreas Jensen, Diana Lohwasser (University of Innsbruck): *Anthropocene as Ideology. Contemplations on Omnipotence Fantasies and the Defense against Human Destructiveness*

SESSION 4 (SÜ 33.0.008)

On the Prospects of Critical Humanities in the Anthropocene

Franz Heilgendorff (Technical University Dresden): *Adorno, Marx & German Idealism: To be radical means to get to the roots of things*

	<p>Michaela Ott (HFBK Hamburg): <i>Criticism as the deconstruction of undivided understandings of the world and the self</i></p> <p>Daniel Gönitzer (University of Vienna): <i>The disruption of “the entire hierarchy of creatures” - Rethinking Walter Benjamin with Donna Haraway</i></p>	<p>Asif Rahamim (Freie Universität Berlin): <i>Committed to Noncommitment. Theodor Adorno’s Literary Criticism and 21st Century „Burnout Societies”</i></p>
Coffee Break (15.30-16.00)		
16.00-17.00	<p>KEYNOTE 4 (MR 33.0.010) Lydia Goehr (Columbia University, New York) Technology, machine, art-work: first (or late) thoughts on the Anthropocene</p>	
17.00-17.30	Closing remarks	
Conclusion		

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