

INTERNATIONAL MEETING

19-20
october
2023

AFTER “NATURE”

Does the word **nature** raise challenges when addressing the climate and biodiversity crises?

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DAY 1: OCTOBER 19th, 2023 (THU)

The trouble with “Nature”

- 09:00 Welcome - Tea & coffee
- 09h30 Welcoming remarks by **Boris Vannière** (MSHE),
Daniel Gilbert (Zaaj), **Émilie Gauthier** (Chrono-environnement)
Presentation of the 'After nature' project and the AN-SSC by
Arnaud Macé and **Patrick Giraudoux**
- 10:00 A round of self-introductions of all participants
- 10:20 The 'After Nature' questionnaire submitted to the participants :
presentation of the results by **Arnaud Macé** and general
discussion moderated by **Patrick Giraudoux**
- 11:50 Pause
- 13:30 When and where do we use the concept of 'Nature'? Guided
discussion and reflection (questions #1-2bis) moderated by **Lucie Fabry**
- 15:00 Advantages and disadvantages of the concept of Nature. Guided
discussion and reflection (questions #3-5) moderated by **Paulina
Karimova, Silvia Materu** and **Ant Türkmen**
- 16:45 Reporting of the main messages + wrap-up by **Paulina
Karimova, Silvia Materu** and **Ant Türkmen**
- 18:00 Saying it with other words. Introducing alternative concepts to
Nature from all over the world. Moderated by **Lucie Fabry** and
Simon Calla

DAY 2: OCTOBER 20th, 2023 (FRI)

After Nature: old and new words for new thoughts?

- 09:00 Outdoor walk-shop. Confronting words for «Nature» with case studies. Taking a walk with **Simon Calla**, **Patrick Giraudoux** and **Kan Shen**, moderated by **Arnaud Macé**, meeting point at the MSHE.
- 13:30 New words for new thoughts ? Guided discussion and reflection (questions #6) moderated by **Paulina Karimova** and **Silvia Materu**
- 15:45 Wrapping up and post-workshop ways forward by **Patrick Giraudoux** and **Arnaud Macé**
- 16:45 Conclusion and goodbye

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Scientists from various disciplines and various parts of the world are coming together for two days to discuss this issue and what other concepts might improve communication among themselves and with the public.

We welcome you to join the 'After Nature' dialogue and contribute your ideas!

STEERING SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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