



# Towards the Hopeful Anthropocene: Sustainability Experimenting from the Margins

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- The session sets out to explore sustainability experiments flourishing in places that are rarely associated with the advancement of sustainability thinking
- To make the range of existing sustainability experiments from marginal, peripheral and semi-peripheral places visible
- Thanks to the authors the presented ‘experiments’ address a range of issues from various geographic locations in 10 case studies from 8 countries of Europe, Asia and Africa
- Do these experiments amount to a vision with transformative capacity to turn the current epoch’s gloomy outlook into a more hopeful Anthropocene?

- **First section – chaired by Miloslav Lapka (9:00–10:30 CET)**
  - Ruta Śpiewak, Wojciech Goszczyński: Institutional analysis of the alternative food networks in Poland
  - Boldizsár G. Megyesi, Imre Kovách: Food self provisioning, food consumption and environmental attitudes in Hungary
  - Petr Daněk, Jan Vávra, Petr Jehlička, Miloslav Lapka: Reversing the trend? Austrian and Czech gardeners between the market and tradition
- **Second section – chaired by Petr Daněk (10:45–12:15 CET)**
  - Dagmar Lorenz-Meyer: Rearticulating the marginal within sustainability: Speculative experiments in solar energy
  - Zdenka Sokolíčková: Stories of marginal(ized) sustainability from Longyearbyen, Svalbard
  - Ottavia Cima, Lucie Sovová: Diverse economies of postsocialism: learning from the East
- **Third section – chaired by Petr Jehlička (15:30–17:00 CET)**
  - Huidi Ma: Exploration of new food ethics relationship against the backdrop of the Anthropocene
  - Ewa Koczyńska: How is right to food practiced at the margins of food distribution system. The case of food bank
  - Lukáš Senft, Tereza Stöckelová, Kateřina Kolářová: The mycelial dynamics of exchange economy in the Czech mushroom collectives
  - Nicholas James: Unpacking some constraints and prospects for agroecology as a practice, the case of ETFE, Eastern Uganda



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