

ASET Colloquium

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Topic: The Anthropocene and the Humanities

This lecture will examine the ways Climate Change and the idea of the Anthropocene - a name proposed for the present geological epoch to indicate the extent of human impact on the planet - have led to new debates in the humanities and interpretive social sciences. This lecture will present some of these debates and discuss the difficulties of conversation across the two cultures of science and the humanities.