Early Careers' Symposium on Cultures of Climate Adaptation

26 – 27 June 2024 Location: Utrecht University, The Netherlands

Call for Papers

Deadline: 30 April 2024

"Regional Convergences and Divergences in

Cultures of Climate Adaptation"

Climate change poses significant challenges to ecosystems, communities, and economies worldwide. Adaptation strategies are essential for minimizing risks and building resilience in the face of changing climatic conditions, but adaptation is very heterogenous and intersectional. Thus, it requires a holistic understanding of the diverse dimensions of adaptation strategies and responses across different geographical, social, and temporal contexts. Further, it requires interdisciplinary collaboration, novel methodologies, and insights from both natural and social sciences. In response to this urgent need for academic advancement, we are pleased to announce the Early Career Symposium on "**Regional Convergences and Divergences in Cultures of Climate Adaptation**".

We invite **early career researchers** (PhD candidates and researchers within 5 years after obtaining their PhDs) from various disciplines including but not limited to anthropology, sociology, geography, environmental studies, cultural studies, and interdisciplinary fields to submit their contributions. We welcome **papers** that explore innovative approaches, integration of multidisciplinary theories and frameworks, and strategies for explaining the multiplicity of climate adaptations. Submissions may focus on, but are not limited to, the following themes:

- Diversity of community-based adaptation approaches
- Socio-economic dimensions of climate adaptation.
- Community-based adaptation strategies and local knowledge systems.
- Diversity of policies of adaptation
- Ethical considerations and challenges in integrating the socio-cultural perspectives in adaptation practices
- Case studies related to climate adaptation (e.g., migration/non-migration, agri- and aquaculture practices, small-scale entrepreneurship, etc.)



How to submit

Early career scientists are invited to submit an **extended abstract** (ca.1000 words), outlining the key aspects of their original research and significant contribution. The authors of the accepted papers will be invited to present their research at the symposium at Utrecht University, The Netherlands. Please submit your abstract by filling in the form by <u>clicking here</u> or email to j.n.vandenberg@uu.nl

Important dates

Extended abstract submission deadline: **30 April 2024** Notification of acceptance: **7 May 2024** Symposium: **26 – 27 June**

Symposium format

The symposium will feature keynote presentations, panel discussions and networking opportunities. The participants will have the chance to engage with fellow early career researchers, established scholars and policymakers working in the field of climate adaptation.

Publication opportunities

The authors of the accepted papers will be invited to present their research at the symposium at Utrecht University. The outcome of the symposium is planned to be published as a special journal issue.

Scholarship

A limited number of travel grants are available.

Scientific Committee

Dr. B. Mallick; Prof. Dr. A. Bailey; Dr. L. Dai; Dr. H. Du; Dr. D. Henig; Dr. G. Koren; Dr. H. Mees.

Further information

For any questions that remain, please contact **Ms. Julia van den Berg** via email at j.n.vandenberg@uu.nl