

Hi!

In case you have missed it, there is a lot of elections going on. The EU elections has just been held, soon we will have the US elections and in general it just seems like there are elections happening all over the place. It is a busy political time, full of uncertainty. Which only makes, from my own humble standpoint, cross disciplinary interactions and discussions more relevant. Because how can there be a difference in the world if all doors are shut in front of you and we do not talk about how to handle all the challenges surrounding us?

On another note, vacation is soon upon us. There will be no newsletters during July as both Markus, Sara and Ylva will be out of office. So we hope that you will all have a nice July, whether you have vacation or are doing research.

Here is the monthly newsletter for June:

### **Anna Stubbendorff has published in Lancet Planetary Health**

A big congratulation to Anna, part of the Agenda 2030 Graduate School, who have published an article in the prestigious Lancet Planetary Health where she and her colleagues have compared different versions of dietary indices based on the EAT Lancet reference diet. You can read more about it at our website and by following the links attached: [Stubbendorff's Index paves way for sustainable healthy diets | Agenda 2030 Graduate School \(lu.se\)](#)

### **Application period for a new PhD group to join the core group will be announced soon.**

We will soon open up a call for application for a new cohort to join the core group in 2025. It will be a 2-year program where all doctoral students at Lund University can apply, but the priority is for doctoral students in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year. The application call will open in August.

Link to more information about the application call: [Join the Agenda 2030 Graduate School at Lund University! | Agenda 2030 Graduate School](#)

### **The call for proposals for the 4<sup>th</sup> PhD conference on Sustainable Development (24<sup>th</sup> of September) is now open!**

Link to the conference is here: [PhD Conference on Sustainable Development, 24 September 2024 - Societal transformation and the University | Agenda 2030 Graduate School \(lu.se\)](#)

For the 4<sup>th</sup> time in a row, the Agenda 2030 Graduate School will organize the PhD conference on Sustainable Development, which will take place on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September. The title for the conference is **Societal transformation and the university**. It is a conference for PhD students and by PhD students, with the aim to showcase ongoing research and to offer a networking opportunity for PhD students from all over the university with interest in sustainable development. It is a space to share ideas, learn something new, find potential new collaborations and to explore your own ideas in a safe and creative environment.

We invite all PhD students at LU to submit contributions to the conference. It can be a paper, a poster, you might have a concept you want to explore in an interdisciplinary setting that you can do either as a seminar, a workshop or as an exhibition perhaps. All forms of contributions are welcome!

**How do you submit a proposal?** You submit a 200-word abstract (or full paper, workshop idea etc.), stating your preference of activity and estimated time of the activity to Markus Gunneflo ([markus.gunneflo@jur.lu.se](mailto:markus.gunneflo@jur.lu.se)) and Ylva van Meeningen ([ylva.van\\_meeningen@cec.lu.se](mailto:ylva.van_meeningen@cec.lu.se)). Please note *PhD conference proposal* in the email subject line before **15<sup>th</sup> of August**.

### Courses

Here are the courses available in the autumn. The course page is updated continuously as new information is provided to the office. Link to course page is here: [Agenda 2030 PhD courses | Agenda 2030 Graduate School \(lu.se\)](#)

- **Whose world? Resource (ab)use in the lounge durée** (Faculties of Humanities and Theology, 7,5 ECTS). 2 September – 26 October  
This course critically investigates how the use and abuse of resources have been shaped by specific dominant histories and discourses in the *longue durée* whilst occluding alternatives, with important consequences for issues of sustainability. It offers students various critical and historical perspectives on resource (ab)use with the aim of critically evaluating the historical background of contemporary resource (ab)use and sustainability.
- **All my relations 3: Relational practices, ecological awareness, and more-than-human encounters** (Faculty of Fine and Performing Arts, 3 ECTS). 2-6 & 17 September  
*All My Relations 3* is a three-day intensive workshop that explores the potential of performative and interdisciplinary practices to trigger transformation in human behaviour and ecological awareness. Artists and interdisciplinary researchers interested in existential resilience, more-than-human encounters and sustainable development are invited to bring their questions to a laboratory designed to connect art, research, and everyday life. Over the course of three days, participants will stay at Gylleboverket's permaculture farm. The applicants are asked to pay a fee of 600 SEK (around 60 €) to cover the full board during the workshop.
- **Sustainable Land Use** (Faculty of Science, 5 or 7,5 ECTS). 1 - 23 October  
This course caters to both graduate students who want to embed their research topic in broader processes of global societal challenges related to land use, as well as those wanting to learn more about the biogeochemical and ecological processes setting the possibilities and constraints of land use and methods of measurement upon which sustainable land use is evaluated.
- **Justice, Equality and the 2030 Agenda** (Faculty of Social Science, 7,5 ECTS). 1 November – 3 December  
The course emphasizes the challenges involved in implementing the 2030 Agenda in both the Global North and the Global South, analyzing processes of stratification, social exclusion, discrimination and unequal opportunities. The course takes a multi-scalar approach, linking global processes, politics, institutions and structures to their local practices, outcomes and experiences. The course invites doctoral students to connect their own research to the themes of the course, regardless of their disciplinary background.

### Other

- 21-23 October is the Development Research Conference in Lund, which is a bi-annual conference gathering Swedish development and sustainability researchers from different academic disciplines to exchange ideas and network as well as promote collaboration with practitioners, organizations and policy makers. The conference theme this year is "Reaching the Sustainable Development Goals in a polarized world". Link to the conference is found here: [DevRes 2024 | Lund University Centre for Sustainability Studies](#)
- **International Impact Actions 2024 – current calls**  
As part of the work with Global Dynamic Engagement (GDE), Lund University is announcing calls for funding to stimulate collaboration and activities that strengthen our international impact in research, education, innovation and cooperation. Deadline for application is 21 August 2024. Funded activities should be completed no later than 31 July 2025. Link is found

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here: <https://www.staff.lu.se/research-and-education/global-engagement-and-international-matters/international-impact-actions>

- **Get Started Funding** – funding to develop collaborations with the potential to lead to externally funded research projects and joint publications. *Target group:* Researchers with a PhD degree who are employed at Lund University and colleagues at select partner universities in countries recently associated or soon to be associated to Horizon Europe.
- **Doctoral Student Mobility outside the EU/EEA** – short stays at selected partner universities for preparation for dissertation/data collection/skills development/teaching. *Target group:* doctoral students at Lund University
- PhD students at Lund University are invited to apply for the blended course “**Making an Impact! Skills for Career Paths in and beyond Academia**” (23-27 September 2024) offered by EUGLOH partners Universität Hamburg, Universidade do Porto, the University of Alcalá, and the Arctic University of Norway. The physical part of the course will take place in Hamburg , 23-27 September 2024. The mobility can be funded with [Erasmus+ funds for studies](#). **Application deadline:** 30 June 2024. [More information and application link](#)
- Lund University hereby announces five travel grants of up to 24 000 SEK each for the purpose of engagement and participation in the **SANORD scientific conference 4-6 December 2024**. SANORD is the prioritised network of Lund University for cooperation with Southern Africa. The network is organizing the annual scientific conference on 4-6 December 2024 at the University of the Western Cape under the theme "Social and Epistemic Justice: Imagining Sustainable Futures through Agency". The call for abstracts for the conference will close on 31 July: [SANORD 2024 Conference Call now open! – SANORD \(uwc.ac.za\)](#). An employee at Lund University who have ongoing collaboration projects with, or are looking for partners from, southern Africa, are welcome to apply. Applications with an abstract for the conference will be prioritized. Younger researchers with PhD-degrees from 2014 or later will also be prioritised. The application form is available at staff pages [Africa | Staff Pages \(lu.se\)](#) and at <https://survey.mailing.lu.se/Survey/54260>.

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