



## ANTHROPOLOGY OFF EARTH

How Terrestrial Exploration and Scientific Imagination  
Shape Our Relation to Outer Space and Extraterrestrial Life

4 June 2019

**Collège de France**

Salle 2

11, place Marcelin Berthelot

Paris 5<sup>e</sup>

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**Observatoire de Paris**

Salle du Conseil

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Paris 14<sup>e</sup>

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**Organisers of the doctoral and post-doctoral session:** Joffrey Becker (IRIS-OCAV/Paris Sciences et Lettres University), Elsa De Smet (IRIS-OCAV/Paris Sciences et Lettres University).



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## Morning Session

9:30

*Welcome*

10am

Perig PITROU

LAS – IRIS-OCAV/Paris Sciences et Lettres University

***Anthropology of Life, On Earth & Off Earth***

10:40

Denis SIVKOV

Institute for Social Sciences / RANEPa Moscow

***Space Exploration at Home: Amateur Cosmonautics in Contemporary Russia***

11:20

*Break*

11:40

Aaron PARKHURST, David JEEVENDRAMPILLAI

University College London, NTNU

***Making a Martian Feel at Home: Finding Humans on Mars Through Utopian Architecture***

12:20

**Roundtable**

***Familiarizing the Extraterrestrial / Making our Planet Alien***

Discussion led by

Istvan PRAET

University of Roehampton

1pm

*Lunch Break*

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## Afternoon Session

2:30

Elie DURING

Paris Nanterre University

***Zero-G as Expanded Gravitational Experience  
Scientific Imagination in Orbital Perspective***

3:10

Istvan PRAET

University of Roehampton

***The Ancient Earth as an Alien Planet  
Astrobiological Models and the Installation of Discontinuities***

3:50

*Break*

4:20

Luis CAMPOS

University of New Mexico

***Soviet Astrobotany: Early Experiments in Earthly Analogues for Martian Life***

5pm

**Roundtable**

***New Ecologies***

Discussion led by

Régis FERRIÈRE

ENS – UMI Iglobes

6pm

*Cocktail Reception*

Lunch Seminar College de France

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## Keynote Session

9:30am

*Welcome*

9:45

Valerie OSLON

UC Irvine

***Making Sense of Post-terrestrial Ecosystems***

10:45

*Break*

11am

Lisa MESSERI

Yale University

***Outer Space on Earth: Terrestrial Analogues for Imagining Other Worlds***

12pm

***General discussion***

Led by

Perig PITROU, Ludovic JULLIEN, Stéphane MAZEVET

LAS – IRIS-OCAV/Paris Sciences et Lettres University, SU – ENS/Paris Sciences et Lettres University,

Observatoire de Paris/Paris Sciences et Lettres University

12:30

*Lunch Break*

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## Doctoral & Post Doctoral Session

2:15

Elsa DE SMET, Joffrey BECKER  
IRIS-OCAV/Paris Sciences et Lettres University

### ***Introduction***

2:30

Tamara ALVAREZ  
The New School for Social Research

### ***The Moon as Nature***

2:45

Benjamin POTHIER  
Plymouth University / The Explorers Club

### ***Astronauts On I.C.E: Lessons Learnt From Field Research During Analog Astronaut Trainings and Life Experiences in [I.C.E] Isolated, Confined and Extreme Environments***

3pm

Gabriela RADULESCU  
Humboldt University of Berlin / University of Iceland  
***The Outer Space Imaginary Shaped During the Cold War by the Soviet Project of Communication with Extraterrestrial Intelligence (CETI)***

3:15

Julien WACQUEZ  
EHESS Paris / CEFRES  
***How Does Science Fiction Literature Shape Scientific Imagination?***

3:30

***Break***

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## ***Doctoral & Post Doctoral Session***

3:45

Meredith ROOT-BERNSTEIN

Instituto de Ecología y Biodiversidad, AgroParisTech, Center of Applied Ecology and Sustainability,  
Santiago, Chile

***Things That Are Not Alive, But That May Be Alive, in A Certain Way***

4pm

Siri LAMOUREAUX, James MERRON

Max Planck Institute, University of Basel

***Ghana's Radio Astronomy Observatory and the Scientific Imagination***

4:15

Alexander TAYLOR

University of Cambridge

***Space Weather Security in the Data Centre Industry***

4:30

***General Discussion***

Led by

Istvan PRAET, Régis FERRIÈRE, Elsa DE SMET, Joffrey BECKER

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