

# **Politics-Ontology-Ecology**

### Seminar

Co-ordinated by Luigi Pellizzoni

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Aula Magna, Department of Political Sciences, via Serafini 3



The seminar aims to offer an opportunity of discussion between Italian scholars, working both in Italy and abroad, who share an interest in the problem-area identified by the intersection of three words: politics, ontology, ecology.

On this issue scholars belonging to various disciplines in the social sciences and humanities are at work. Communication between different academic and cultural networks is however often insufficient. This entails a dispersion of intellectual energies, the loss of a critical mass potentially capable of imparting collective reflection a leap forward.

Purpose of the seminar, therefore, is to provide an opportunity of cross-disciplinary dialogue and sharing. A more ambitious goal is to identify, if these exist, peculiarities of the Italian contribution to the international debate.

Scholars in sociology, geography, anthropology, philosophy, political science, economy and STS take part with presentations followed by intensive discussion. Attendance is open to anyone interested in the issue. Working languages: Italian and English.

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#### **Programme**

### Thursday 5 October

Introduction to the seminar
Group 1, Session 1
Break
Group 1, Session 2

Lunch

15,00-17,00	Group 2, Session 1
17,00-17,30	Break
17.30-19.30	Group 2, Session 2

## Friday 6 October

08,30-10,30	Group 3, Session 1
10,30-11,00	Break
11,00-13,00	Group 3, Session 2

### Lunch

16,00 End of seminar

### Thematic groups

## **Group 1 - Ecologies/politics/ontologies**

Gennaro Avallone	World-ecology and decolonial perspective: for a critique of established hierarchies of capitalist modernity
Maura Benegiamo	Ensuring the future, governing exclusion. Extraction, spoliation and territorialization in the recent agricultural investments in Sub-Saharan Africa
Mauro Bonaiuti	The real (or involuntary) degrowth of advanced capitalist economies.  Ontological and ecological foundations
Nadia Breda	Vegetal world and 'destructive' capitalism
Emanuele Leonardi	Neoliberal exploitation of the environment and capitalist world-ecology
Dario Padovan	Energy, labour, value. Transition paths between ecological crisis and crisis of capitalism
Luigi Pellizzoni	Inoperosity and materiality. From appropriative fusionism to deappropriative dualism
Salvo Torre	The political conflict on the ecological limit

## **Group 2 - Ontological practices and strategies**

Massimiliano Andretta, Riccardo Guidi	Politics, ecology and ontology in the local practices of food co-production: an exploration
Mara Benadusi	Futures in the making. The chronopolitics of anticipatory devices in times of environmental crises and disasters
Filippo Bertoni	Metabolic short-circuits: a practical guide to assembling (and disassembling) the planet
Laura Centemeri	Commensuration and incommensurability in the ecological question. The contribution of a sociology of plural modes of environmental valuation
Andrea Ghelfi	Politics of matter in more than human worlds
Andrea Maccarini	Visions of the bulimic self: personal reflexivity and the ontological challenge
Alvise Mattozzi	Ontology as methodology
Dario Minervini	Ontological politics: method as stance
Roberta Raffaetà	The ecosystems perspective in the studies on human microbiome: when relational ontology underpins power dynamics

# **Group 3 - Ideas, concepts, authors**

Alfredo Agustoni	The strength of Cresus: energy and money. A historical sociology path between symbolic systems, power relations and ecosystems change
Alfredo Alietti	The concept of resilience and neoliberal governmentality dynamics. A critical
	introduction
Gianluca Brunori	The vulnerability of food systems: theoretical elements for a method of analysis
Manlio Iofrida	Beyond homo faber and beyond the postmodern: ontology and nature
	in Merleau-Ponty and Foucault
Fulvio Longato	Politics, ontology and ecology in the capabilities approaches
Ottavio Marzocca	Arendt, Foucault, Bateson and the post-liberal virtue
Agostino Petrillo	Till the end of the world. Philosophies of environmental catastrophe from Hoesle
	to Nancy
Ivano Scotti	Ecological ethics and environmental discourse: a critical reading of Habermas
	for social research
Matteo Villa	Studying welfare systems as ecological systems: paradigm change, open
	questions and a possible research perspective