

Science and Democracy Network
Annual Meeting Program 2006
June 25-27, 2006
Harvard University Center for the Environment
24 Oxford Street
Cambridge, MA 02138

Sunday, June 25

2-4 STS and Science Policy

Steven Jackson (School of Information, University of Michigan)
Supercomputing After Supercomputers: Enrolling STS in the Design of National Cyberinfrastructure Policy

Bernd Siebenhüner (Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg)
Knowledge and Learning in International Governmental Organizations in Global Environmental Governance

Silke Beck (UFZ-Centre for Environmental Research Leipzig, Germany)
The IPCC as a Model? Experiences from the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment

4-4:30 Break

4:30-6:30 Roundtable

Rob Doubleday, Mariachiara Tallacchini (and others)
STS Scholars as Experts: Witnesses and Discussions

7-9 Reception

Monday, June 26

9-11 Bionations and Bioregions

Kaushik Sunder Rajan (University of California, Irvine)
Brand India and the Clinical Trial: Materiality, Abstraction, and the Spirit of Biocapital

Charis Thompson (University of California, Berkeley)
Seoul National University's Snuppy and Singapore's Biopolis' Zebra Fish: Two Chimeric Models for the Emergence of "Asian Biotech"

David Winickoff (University of California, Berkeley)
Genome Nation: Iceland's Health Sector Database and Its Progeny

11-11:30 Break

11:30-12:30 Methods Discussion

12:30-2 Lunch

2-4 Imaginaries

Sujatha Raman (IGBiS, University of Nottingham)

Democratizing Expert Discourse on Antimicrobial Resistance: Beyond the Catastrophic Imaginary

Elta Smith (JFK School, Harvard)

Rice Research and Representation

Alice Benessia (University of Catania)

Visual language in Techno-science and Policy: Evidence and Metaphors

Evan Selinger and Timothy H. Engström (Dept. of Philosophy, RIT, Rochester)

Political and Existential Economies of Imaging: Technology, Identity, and Social Agency

4-4:30 Break

4:30-6 Burning Conflicts: The Science and Politics of Fire Management

Bjørn Sletto (Department of City and Regional Planning, Cornell University)

Burn Marks: Knowledge Constructions, Institutional Cultures and the Failure of Fire Management in the Gran Sabana, Venezuela

Paul Laris (Geography Department, California State University Long Beach, CA)

Good, bad or “necessary evil?”: Reinterpreting the colonial burning experiments in the savanna landscapes of West Africa

Bruce Evan Goldstein (School of Public and International Affairs)

Skunkworks In the Embers of the Cedar Fire: Enhancing Societal Resilience in the Aftermath of Disaster

Tuesday, June 27

9-11:30 Knowing Citizens

Bonnie Stabile (George Mason University)

Balancing Morality and Economy: The Case of State Human Cloning Policies

Alastair Iles (University of California, Berkeley)

Greening Chemistry: Views From, and About, California

Shobita Parthasarathy (University of Michigan)

A Room for Civil Society at the Patent Office? Understanding and Assessing Europe's Opposition Mechanism

Daniel Barben (University of Wisconsin-Madison) and Frank N. Laird (University of Denver)

Acceptance Politics of Contested Technologies: A Comparison between Nuclear Power, Biotechnology, and Nanotechnology

11:30-1:00 Roundtable: Teaching Science and Democracy

1-2 Lunch

2-4 SDN Administration
Future meetings
Web ideas
Planning and administration