STS Circle at Harvard

Fall 2014

All meetings will take place on Mondays, from 12:15—2 p.m., in Room 100F, Pierce Hall, 29 Oxford Street, unless otherwise noted. Sandwich lunches will be provided.

Please RSVP to sts@hks.harvard.edu by the Wednesday before. For more information, please visit: http://sts.hks.harvard.edu/

Sep 8 Aaron Mauck (Harvard, History of Science)
Social Molecules: Biomarkers and the New Data
Imaginary in Social Science Research

Sep 15 David Lazer (Northeastern, Political Science)

Computational Social Science: The Use of "Big Data" to Study Human Behavior

Sep 22 Angie Boyce (Harvard, Robert Wood Johnson Fellow)
Chicken, Egg, or Cook? Foodborne Salmonellosis and
Distributed Responsibility

Sep 29 **Benjamin Morris** (MIT, Catalyst Collaborative)

Science/Fiction: Dramatic Arts as a Medium for Translating Science

Oct 6 **Kristen Loveland** (Harvard, History)

The Biopolitics of Human Dignity: Balancing Bodies and Rights in the German PGD Debates, 2000-2003

Oct 20 **Venkatesh Narayanamurti** (Harvard, SEAS)

Bridging the Basic-Applied Dichotomy and the Cycle of Discovery and Invention

Oct 27 **Zoe Nyssa** (Harvard, HUCE/STS Fellow)

Ecologies of Paradox: A Typology of Scientific

Surprise in the Anthropocene

Nov 3 **Richard Rottenburg** (University of Halle, Anthropology)

Emerging "Global Health" Institutions in Africa: Technologies and Significations

Nov 6 (Thurs) Science & Democracy Lecture Series

Martin Rees (The Lord Rees of Ludlow)

Catastrophic Risks: The Downsides of Advancing Technology Location and Time TBA

Nov 10 Naor Ben-Yehoyada (Harvard, Center for Middle Eastern Studies)
"I Can Feel the Mafia But I Can't See It": An Anthropology of
Forensic Knowledge



Nov 17 Heather Paxson (MIT, Anthropology)

Regulating Microbial Ecologies: Policy and Practice in Artisanal Cheesemaking

Nov 24 **Canay Özden-Schilling** (MIT, HASTS)

Economics Inside the Grid: Smart Grids, Power Systems
Engineering, and Emergent Markets

Dec 1 Zara Mirmalek (Harvard, STS)

Democracy and the Deep-Sea: Telepresence and Public Participation in Remote Environments

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