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A Graduate School on Multispecies Conviviality

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PROGRAMME

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Monday, 14.10.	Day 1
09:00 – 09:30	<i>Coffee & Registration</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Welcome and Introduction
10:00 – 11:00	Lectures A + Q&A: Prof. Dr. Roman Bartosch: <i>Staying Sane in an Insane World: Eco-Anxiety, Mental Health, and Literacy Research</i> Prof. Dr. Kate Rigby: <i>Multispecies Conviviality</i>
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 – 13:00	Workshop Nsah Mala: <i>Futures of Planetary Wellbeing: A Practical Foresight Exercise</i>
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>
14:00 – 15:30	Group Work 1 moderated by Kate Rigby and Christoph Lange Mentors: 1) Mariagrazia Portera (Florence) 2) Franz Krause (Cologne) 3) Jørgen Bruhn (Linnaeus) 4) Ola Ståhl (Linnaeus)
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Tea and Coffee break / Walk to excursion meeting point</i>
16:00 – 18:00	Excursion I <i>Urban Ecology Multispecies Conviviality Walk with Jan-Frederik Lhota (UoC)</i>
Tuesday, 15.10.	Day 2
09:00 – 09:30	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
09:30 – 11:00	Lecture B + Q&A: Prof. Dr. Sandra Díaz: <i>Of Plants and People - An Ecologist's Perspective</i> Prof. Dr. Laurel Kearns: <i>Faith-based Urban Biodiversity Conservation</i>

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11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 – 13:00	Group Work 2 Continuing group work
13:00 – 17:00	Excursion II Science Museum Koenig in Bonn
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Travel to Bonn for Excursion II / Brown Bag Lunch</i>
14:00 – 16:00	Museum tour guided by Karen Meusemann (LIB)
16:00 – 17:00	<i>Return Trip to Cologne</i>
19:00 – open end	Cultural Event Multispecies Storytelling: Live Performance and Exhibition
Wednesday, 16.10.	Day 3
09:00 – 09:30	<i>Morning Coffee</i>
09:30 – 11:00	Lecture C + Q&A: Prof. Dr. Thiemo Breyer: <i>Multispecies Empathy and Transgenerationality</i> Prof. Dr. Peter Dannenberg: <i>Multispecies Food Future</i>
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11:30 – 13:00	Group Work 3 Continuing group work
13:00 – 18:00	Excursion III Forschungszentrum Jülich
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Travel to Jülich for Excursion III / Brown Bag Lunch</i>
14:00 – 17:00	Tour - Model region NRW: Sustainable Bioeconomy
17:00 – 18:00	<i>Return Trip to Cologne</i>
19:30 – open end	MAGS Dinner Brauhaus Pütz

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Thursday, 17.10.	Day 4
09:30 – 13:00	Group Work 4 Finalization of presentations (<i>Deadline for poster printing!</i>)
13:00 – 14:00	<i>open Lunch Break / Mensa</i>
14:00 – open end	MESH Symposium Day 1 <i>Multispecies Conviviality</i>
14:30 – 16:00	Panel 1 Shumon T. Hussain Archaeology, University of Cologne <i>Living-with, Thriving-in, and Learning-from Past Multispecies Communities</i> Luci Attala Social Anthropology, University of Wales Trinity Saint David <i>Peace, the Impossible Concept (or ‘the spirit and the letter’): A More-than-species Story</i> Kári Driscoll Comparative Literature, Utrecht University <i>The Politics of Animosity: Nonhuman Resistance and Interspecies Solidarity in the Contemporary Cultural Imagination</i> chaired by Christoph Lange
16:00 – 16:30	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>
16:30 – 17:45	MAS Opening & BRIDGES launch <i>Welcome addresses:</i> Humboldt Prof. Dr. Kate Rigby (MESH Director) Prof. Dr. Kirk Junker (Vice-Rector for Sustainability) Prof. Dr. Stefan Grohé (Dean Faculty of Arts and Humanities) <i>BRIDGES Launch</i> Prof. Dr. Beatrix Busse (Vice-Rector for Teaching and Studies & Chief Development Officer of the European University for Well-Being (EUniWell)) Dr. Susanne Preuschoff (Head of the Global Responsibility Unit at Division of International Affairs) Prof. Dr. Steven Hartman (Executive Director of BRIDGES Coalition) Prof. Dr. Luci Attala (Deputy Executive Director of BRIDGES & Director of UK BRIDGES Hub at UWTS&D & BRIDGES International Programme Office) Prof. Dr. Joni Adamson (Founding Director of BRIDGES Flagship Hub at Arizona State University & Director of the Humanities for the Environment - North American Observatory) Dr. Nsah Mala (Coordinator of UoC BRIDGES Hub)
17:45 - 18:00	<i>Comfort break</i>
18:00 – 19:00	Keynote 1 - Eben Kirksey Anthropology, University of Oxford <i>Rifts in Ecological Processes</i>

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19:00 – 21:00	<p>chaired by Franz Krause</p> <p>Reception</p>
Friday, 18.10.	Day 5
09:00 – 15:00	<p>MESH Symposium Day 2 <i>Multispecies Conviviality</i></p>
09:00 - 09:30	<i>Morning Coffee / Welcome</i>
09:30 – 10:30	<p>Keynote 2 – Alison Poliout Ecologist & Environmental Photographer, Rachel Carson Center, Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich <i>Fostering Fungal Networks of the Subterrain</i></p> <p>chaired by Roman Bartosch</p>
10:30 – 10:45	<i>Comfort Break</i>
10:45 – 12:15	<p>Panel 2 Ishika Ramakrishna Wildlife Ecology & Conservation, Manipal University, Karnataka <i>Wildlife as Neighbours and Collaborators: Studying, Mitigating and Communicating Other-than-human—Human Shared Lifeworlds</i></p> <p>Ursula Münster Environmental Humanities, University of Oslo <i>Relational Biographies: Attuning to Elephant Personalities in South Indian Conservation</i></p> <p>Emmanuel Sulle Land & Agrarian Studies, Aga Khan University <i>From Decolonising to Liberating Conservation in Africa</i></p> <p>chaired by Carolin Schwegler</p>
12:15 – 13:15	<i>Lunch Break (catered on site)</i>
13:15 – 14:45	<p>Panel 3 Susanne Schmitt Anthropology, RIFS Potsdam <i>“To be of Service”. Speculative Hatmakings' Tiny Worlds of Consequence</i></p> <p>Monika Stobiecka Archaeology, University of Warsaw <i>Exhibiting Lively Heritage</i></p> <p>Owain Jones Cultural Geography, Bath Spa University <i>Estuaries on the Edge. Past Present and Future Convivial Life in Tidal Landscapes</i></p> <p>chaired by Dominik Ohrem</p>
14:45 – 15:00	<i>Farewell</i>
15:00 – rest of the day	<i>Convivial Space & free time to explore Cologne</i>

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Saturday, 19.10.	Day 6
09:00 – 12:00	Pop-Up Exhibition “Multispecies Storytelling feat. MESH Autumn Academy Projects”
09:00 – 11:00	closed review & feedback
11:00 – 14:00	open to public / Pop-up Exhibition
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Farewell / Lunch (catered on site)</i>