



Confronting Environmental Change in Asia

AGENDA

NYU ABU DHABI SAADIYAT CAMPUS

Institute Conference Center, Room # 004

19 - 20 February 2024

19 February 2024 | DAY 1

6:30 - 8:30 AM

Breakfast

Jannah Burj Al Sarrab Hotel

Buffet breakfast included for traveling guests only

8:30 AM Bus departure to campus

Pick up outside hotel lobby

9:00 – 9:30 AM

Registration

Institute Conference Center

Meeting Room Foyer

9:30 – 9:45 AM

Welcome Remarks & Introduction

Program Organizer(s)

9:45 – 11:15 AM

PANEL I: Highlands and Lowlands

9:45 - 10:25 AM *Forest Protecting Stone Inscriptions and Vernacular Ecology in Late Imperial China*

Mark Swislocki, NYUAD

10:35 - 11:15 AM *Arrival of the Anthropocene in South Asia: A View from the Mining Fields of the Himalayan Piedmont*

Iftekhar Iqbal, Universiti Brunei Darussalam

11:15 – 11:30 AM

Break & Refreshments

Atrium

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

PANEL II: Bioregionalisms

11:30 - 12:20 PM *Coffee Plantations as Bioregional Sites: Lessons from India and Vietnam*

Subarna De, University of Groningen

12:20 AM- 1:00 PM *Climate and Empire*

Marwa Koheji, NYUAD

1:00 – 2:00 PM	Lunch The Torch Club D2
2:00 – 3:30 PM	PANEL III: Hegemonies <i>2:00 - 2:40 PM A Rising Global Player, The UAE, Food Security, and Climate Change</i> Sophia Kalantzakos, NYUAD <i>2:50 - 3:30 PM Hydro-hegemony and Chinese Influence</i> Selina Ho, National University of Singapore
3:30 - 4:00 PM	Break & Refreshments Atrium
4:00 – 5:20 PM	PANEL IV: Bio(cultural)diversities <i>4:00-4:40 PM Microbial Diversity in History</i> Aashish Jha, NYUAD <i>4:50-5:30 Culture, Nature, and the Commodification of Tibet</i> Travis Klingberg, NYU Shanghai
6:00 PM	Dinner The Torch Club D2
7:30 PM	Bus back to hotel <i>Pick up outside A6</i>

20 February 2024 | DAY 2

6:30 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast Jannah Burj Al Sarrab Hotel <i>Buffet breakfast included for traveling guests only</i>
8:30 AM	Bus departure to campus <i>Pick up outside hotel lobby</i>
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Coffee & Registration Institute Conference Center Meeting Room Foyer
9:30 – 11:00 AM	PANEL V: Too Big to Fail? <i>9:30 - 10:10 Greening the Belt and Road Initiative</i> Maria Adele Carrai, NYU Shanghai <i>10:20-11:30 AM Tracing the Early Period in China Greening its Financial System</i> Rastraraj Bhandari, NYUAD Research Associate

11:00 – 11:30 AM **Break & Refreshments**
Atrium

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM **PANEL VI: Fathoming Nature**

11:30 AM-12:10 PM *A Flood with Many Sources: the Deep-Time, Generational, Colonial and Developmental Histories of Sikkim's 2023 GLOF*
Ruth Gamble, La Trobe University

12:20 PM- 1:00 PM *"Climate and Frontier," Chapter 7 from Heavenly Drought: Natural Anomalies and State-Building in Vietnam, 1000-1600)*
Hieu Phung, Rutgers University

1:00 – 2:00 PM **Lunch**
The Torch Club
D2

2:00 – 3:30 PM **PANEL VII: Does the Environment Have a Public History?**
Moderated by Tzy Jiun Tan and Mark Swislocki

3:45 PM **Bus departure to louvre**
Pick up outside A6

4:00 – 6:00 PM **Louvre tour**

6:00 PM **Bus departure to dinner**
Pick up outside dropoff point

6:30 PM **Dinner**
Al Mayass,
Galleria

8:00 PM **Bus back to hotel**
Pick up outside dropoff point
