



Science for Sustainability PROGRAMME 2025



WEDNESDAY 1.10.2025

9:20-11:00	PLENARY Emilia Nygård (Regeneration 2030), Paavo Järvensivu (BIOS), Matti Pihlajamaa (VTT) and Sari Multala (Ministry of the Environment): Resilient Systems - Breaking the Sustainability Bubbles					
11.15-12.30	Towards Biodiversity-Respectful Futures Marileena Mäkelä <input type="checkbox"/>	Re(De)-Constructing Sustainability in Socio-ecological Systems: From “Slumber to Just Lumber?” Ayonghe Akonwi <input type="checkbox"/>	Indigenous and Ancestral Knowledges for Sustainability Transformations David Caicedo Sarralde <input type="radio"/>	Imagine manufacturing – conceiving localized systems change from natural fibres Ulrika Dahlberg <input type="triangle"/>	Global access and availability of anti-infective medicines Leena Hanski <input type="radio"/>	Fostering imagination and pluralism in biodiversity conservation: From global universalism to local diversity Heidi Lehtiniemi <input type="checkbox"/>
12.30-13.30	LUNCH					
13.45-15.00	Sustainable Built Environments: Transforming Housing and Urban Green for a Low-Carbon Future Vesa Kanninen <input type="checkbox"/>	Promoting food systems resilience in the Nordic and Baltic countries through a regional approach Silvia Gaiani <input type="checkbox"/>	Bridging Strategy and Impact: Advancing Sustainability Communications for Meaningful Change Romas Malevicius <input type="triangle"/>	Biodesign Innovations for Species Conservation and Coexistence Barbara Pollini <input type="radio"/>	Walking together to learn on environmental researchers’ advocacy Anna Salomaa <input type="triangle"/>	
15.00-15.30	COFFEE BREAK					
15.30-16.45	Rethinking Consumption in the Age of Degrowth Juulia Räikkönen <input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable Pluralized Futures: Indigenous Knowledge and the Transformation of Universities Jimena Bigá <input type="radio"/>	Special Issue on Just Green Transition in the Arctic Tero Kivinen <input type="triangle"/>	Environmental Death: Exploring Green Burial Practices in Finland Rosa Rantanen <input type="radio"/>		
17.00-18.30	EVENING EVENT University of Helsinki Reception, Unioninkatu 34 (<u>Separate registration required</u>)					

THURSDAY 2.10.2025

9:30-10:45	<p>Sustainability agency – Exploring actors and their agency in shaping sustainable future</p> <p>Satu Teerikangas <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Legitimate public policies: Promoting well-being and ecological sustainability</p> <p>Joonas Uotinen <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Envisaging collaboration for sustainable innovation: Pushing the boundaries through law and governance</p> <p>Dhanay Cadillo Chandler <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Beyond the Growth Bubble: Media, Narratives, and the Transition to Sustainable Futures</p> <p>HELSUS Media Team <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Bursting the bubble for real - the civilisation will collapse</p> <p>Milla Unkila <input type="triangle"/></p>	<p>What is enough? – Approaching the sufficiency transformation ‘inside-out’ by discussing our lived experiences</p> <p>Rasmus Sihvonen <input type="triangle"/></p>
11.00-12.00	<p>DIALOGUE Angele Alook (York University) and Bonn Juego (University of Jyväskylä): Global Cooperation and Sustainability Visions</p>					
12.00-13.00	<p>LUNCH</p>					
13.15-14.30	<p>Awakening a sustainable mediatechnological relationship – ecomaterial perspectives on the media society</p> <p>Aino Kangaspuro-Haaparanta <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Medicalization: Sacred or Sacrificial? Understanding the Sacred in Medicine for a Sustainable Healthcare System</p> <p>Kristiina Patja <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Harmful hopes and deceptive optimism – how to imagine hope that can disrupt the status quo?</p> <p>Johanna Ahola-Launonen <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Back to the Future: Traditional and Indigenous Knowledge for Sustainable Innovation</p> <p>Julia Valle Noronha <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Breaking Silos: Advancing Interdisciplinary Research Processes in Sustainability Science</p> <p>Anahita Rashidfarokhi <input type="triangle"/></p>	
14.30-15.00	<p>COFFEE BREAK</p>					
15.00-15.20	<p>KEYNOTE Pauliina Damdimopoulou (Karolinska Institute): Chemicals, Plastics & the Future of Fertility - is there hope for the humankind?</p>					
15.30-16.45	<p>Bursting the greening bubble: Building multispecies connectivity in urban areas for indigenous species</p> <p>Long Xie <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Smart and functional biobased materials in healthcare</p> <p>Mina Zare-Lahti <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Degrowth and digitalisation, laying foundations for a new regulatory approach to platform economy</p> <p>Beata Mäihäniemi <input type="radio"/></p>	<p>Lack of motivation for individuals to make sustainable choices? Find the enormous potential of individuals</p> <p>Laura Kallio <input type="triangle"/></p>	<p>Deliberating sustainable place of livestock within consumption corridors</p> <p>Iryna Herzon <input type="radio"/></p>	

PARALLEL SESSION TYPE SEMINAR ☐ WORKSHOP ROUNDTABLE ☐