

Crises and the Anthropocene

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In this talk we use the theoretical background provided by the Science and Technology in the European Periphery (STEP) and Tensions of Europe (ToE), two independent research networks which coexisted in time, from 1999 to 2014, to address two topics –crises and Anthropocene. Both STEP's and ToE's agendas and the debates on crises and the Anthropocene call for a *longue durée* approach and for an attitude of resilience against both technophobia and technophilia, contributing to ongoing debates by revealing past decisions, strategies and options that shaped contemporary societies. We deem they are critical to better understand today's society and propose active agendas that may influence public opinion and policy makers. As such, it is our contention that these two interrelated topics deserve particular attention from scholars in our field.

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