Religion and Ecology, Religion and Animals, and Related Events at the AAR/SBL 2013 – Baltimore

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Friday

M22-106

Forum on Religion and Ecology at Yale University

Theme: Forum on Religion and Ecology Annual Luncheon

Friday - 11:30 AM-1:30 PM Convention Center-319

A22-204

Religion and Ecology Workshop

Theme: Mapping the Field of Religion and Ecology: Theories, Methods, and Future Directions

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University, Presiding

Friday - 1:45 PM-5:00 PM Convention Center-317

The Religion and Ecology Group invites you to take part in a pre-AAR colloquium to survey and map the theoretical and methodological diversities within the field of religion and ecology. This research area is now robust with multiple avenues of research and activities, including many traditions, voices, theories, approaches, discourses, methodologies, and emphases. It is our goal to collectively discuss and assess where we have come from, where we are, and where we are going. This colloquium is envisioned as a participatory event designed both for those who have long-contributed to this groundbreaking work as well as those who are new to such scholarly conversations.

The goals of this session are as follows:

- To map the intellectual terrain covered by scholars and activists, including those who initiated such scholarly conversations and those who are active in the present and diverse shaping of the field.
- To analyze and identify the common theories and methodologies employed by scholars across the interdisciplinary and multireligious landscape of the field of religion and ecology to date.

To articulate and explore pertinent questions, theories, methodologies, lacuna, and trajectories that may guide the development of the field in the twenty-first century.

It is our intent that in mapping the terrain, hearing from those who have contributed to the maturation of the field, and suggesting signposts that will point the way forward, we can foster a more timely, focused, and fruitful scholarly conversation for future studies in the field. We hope that you will join this conversation and bring your own expertise and energy.

The cost of the workshop is \$30, which includes the entire afternoon of sessions and a coffee break. Registration limited to the first 75 participants.

Panelists:

Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University Barbara A. B. Patterson, Emory University Matthew Riley, Drew University Cynthia Moe-Lobeda, Seattle University

Saturday

A23-138 Tours

Theme: Chesapeake Watershed Environmental and Ecojustice Tour

Evan Berry, American University, Presiding Beth Norcross, Wesley Seminary, Presiding

Saturday - 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Offsite

We invite you to join us for a water-centered look at ways that local communities are responding to broader environmental and ecojustice issues as they come to bear on the Chesapeake watershed. This tour will visit several sites in the Baltimore Harbor area, where participants will hear directly from local activists about their efforts to protect and restore their community's aquatic resources and waterfront neighborhoods, which have borne disproportionate environmental degradation. Representatives from Blue Water Baltimore and other local organizations will help guide our tour of the Charm City's recuperating waterfront. Questions may be directed to reg@aarweb.org

A23-112

Animals and Religion Group

Theme: Political Animals and Animal Politics: The Knots of Sovereignty and Animality

Rebekah Sinclair, Claremont Graduate University, Presiding

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Convention Center-338

Jacques Derrida's posthumously published lectures — particularly *The Beast and the Sovereign*, Vols. I and II (University of Chicago Press, 2009) — expose the numerous strategic repressions and displacements of animality in the long history of modern humanist thought. Derrida illuminates the ways in which this displacement has always been deeply political by gesturing toward the copious and complex entanglements of animality and sovereignty. The papers in this panel take this entanglement as a critical point of departure to explore conceptual and material interactions of gods, animals, and humans — with and against religious traditions, and with and against Derrida himself.

Eric Daryl Meyer, Fordham University

Fallen Humanity and Sovereign Difference: Agamben and Derrida among Eden's Creatures

Daniel Horan, Boston College

Humans as "Poor in Creation": Animality, Kinship, and the (De)constructive Promise of Jacques Derrida for a Theology of Creation

Beatrice Marovich, Drew University

Sovereign Side-effects: Creatures, Bare Life, and the Chimera of Kinship

Donovan Schaefer, Haverford College

Animalism: Religion, Affect, and Nonsovereign Bodies

Paul Waldau, Canisius College

Getting into and beyond Derrida's The Beast and the Sovereign

Responding:

Mary-Jane Rubenstein, Wesleyan University

Business Meeting:

David Aftandilian, Texas Christian University

M23-101

Mennonite Scholars and Friends

Theme: From 'Creation Care to 'Watershed Discipleship': An Anabaptist Approach to Ecological Theology and

Practice

Laura Schmidt Roberts, Fresno Pacific University, Presiding

Saturday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Hilton Baltimore-Key 5

Further information can be found here: http://uwaterloo.ca/toronto-mennonite-theological-centre/events/msf

Ched Myers, Bartimaeus Cooperative Ministries

From 'Creation Care' to 'Watershed Discipleship': An Anabaptist Approach to Ecological Theology and Practice

Elaine Enns, Bartimaeus Cooperative Ministries

The Relevance of Restorative Justice to Ecotheology

Jennifer Halteman Schrock, Merry Lea Center and Goshen College

Perspectives on Mennonite Environmental Education

Sylvia Keesmaat, Russet House Farm and Toronto School of Theology

The Biblical and Pedagogic Challenges of Paradigm Shifting

Chris Grataski, Ezekiel's Guild

Theological Permaculture - How the Biosphere Teaches Us

A23-203

Social Theory and Religion Cluster and Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: Querying Natural Religion: Immanence, Gaia, and the Parliament of Lively Things

Sarah M. Pike, California State University, Chico, Presiding

Saturday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM Convention Center-307-308

This roundtable session will explore and respond to the themes of the 2013 Gifford Lectures, delivered by anthropologist of science and philosopher Bruno Latour on the topic of "Facing Gaia: A New Inquiry into Natural Religion." Confirmed panelists include leading scholars on religion and nature (Bron Taylor), immanence and secularism (William Connolly), ecology and enchantment (Jane Bennett), ecological cultural critique (Timothy Morton), and global geopolitics and identity (Daniel Deudney). The panel is being organized in parallel with a special issue of the Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature, and Culture (JSRNC) devoted to Latour and his Gifford Lectures. It will be introduced, along with a brief summary of Latour's lectures, by JSRNC associate editor Adrian Ivakhiv, and presided over by Sarah Pike.

Panelists:

Adrian Ivakhiv, University of Vermont Bron Taylor, University of Florida Daniel Deudney, Johns Hopkins University Jane Bennett, Johns Hopkins University Tim Morton, Rice University William E. Connolly, John Hopkins University Business Meeting: Ipsita Chatterjea, Vanderbilt University Randall Styers, University of North Carolina A23-330

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: Biodemocracy: Religion, Democracy, and The Earth Charter in the Twenty-first Century

Christopher Chapple, Loyola Marymount University, Presiding

Saturday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM Convention Center-303

The papers in this session are organized around the Earth Charter's assertion that a sustainable future requires a fundamental shift in awareness of the embeddedness of the human community in the larger biotic community. As the Preamble states, "we are one human family and one Earth Community with a common destiny." The panelists envision democracy, in this context, as "biodemocracy." Biodemocracy entails not only guaranteeing the rights of every human person to active participation in decision-making and access to justice, but also affirming responsibility towards, and participation by, the broader ecological community. The four papers explore various themes related to the relationship between democracy, religion, and the flourishing of the Earth Community in the twenty-first century including the drafting of the Earth Charter and The Journey of the Universe, the intersection of gender and biodemocracy, Daoism and emergent biodemocracy in China, and biodemocracy and the thought of Lynn White, jr.

Mary Evelyn Tucker, Yale University

The Earth Charter and Journey of the Universe: An Integrated Framework for Biodemocracy

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University

Biodemocracy, Gender and The Earth Charter

James Miller, Queen's University
Religion and Biodemocracy in China
Matthew Riley, Drew University

The Democratic Roots of the Ecologic Crisis: Lynn White, Biodemocracy, and The Earth Charter

S23-315 Ecological Hermeneutics 11/23/2013 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Room: 347 - Convention Center

Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland, Presiding

Mari Jorstad, Duke University

The Ground That Opened Its Mouth: The Moral Integrity of the Ground in the Story of Cain and Abel (30 min)

Sylvia Keesmaat, Toronto School of Theology

Creation, Idolatry, and Justice in Romans (30 min)

Christina C. Riley, Drew University

Eco-Feminism vs. Eco-Gender: A Reading of Revelation's Woman Clothed with the Sun (30 min)

Michael Trainor, Flinders University

An Ecological "Listening" to the Gospel of Luke: Reflections on Writing a Commentary (30 min)

Norm Habel, Flinders University

A Wise Earth Being: A Reading of Job 1 (30 min)

A23-407 Films

Theme: Water Like Stone: A Portrait of a Louisiana Fishing Village

Michael Pasquier, Louisiana State University, Presiding

Saturday - 8:00 PM-10:00 PM Hilton Baltimore-Latrobe Water Like Stone is an impressionistic portrait of Leeville, a fishing village in Coastal Louisiana. It is a documentary about people living in a dying landscape. It is an elegy. It is an ode. It is a journey through a world all but forgotten.

Sunday

A24-127

Gay Men and Religion Group

Theme: *Queering Debates on Animal-Human Relations* Patrick S. Cheng, Episcopal Divinity School, Presiding Sunday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

Convention Center-339

Four scholars--two from biblical studies, one from theology, and one from LGBTQ religious studies--take up questions of the relation of the human to the animal in sacred text, religious rhetoric and devotional practice to forge queer post-humanist strategies and construct a nascent queer eco-theology. As one presenter notes, Timothy Morton, ecocritic and literary scholar, in a 2010 column, declared: "Ecological criticism and queer theory seem incompatible, but if they met, there would be a fantastic explosion." This session tests Morton's theory. Involving consideration and re-interpretation of texts and relational dynamics that describe metaphorically those on the margins (or, those whom powerful interests want to place on the margins) of normative human sexuality as non-human animals (and vice versa) to reinforce the inferiority of both in religion and society, the conversation here is one step of solidarity and conceptual reformulation towards more just relations between all earth's creatures.

Ken Stone, Chicago Theological Seminary

The Queer Hermeneutics of 'Carnophallogocentrism'

Jacob Erickson, Drew University

Of Pleasures, Bestial and Divine: Queer Ecotheology and the Animation of Earth Ethics

S24-121

Homiletics and Biblical Studies

Joint Session With: Homiletics and Biblical Studies, Ecological Hermeneutics

11/24/2013

9:00 AM to 11:30 AM Room: Holiday 4 - Hilton

Theme: Preaching and the Environment

Charles Aaron, First United Methodist Church (Gainesville, TX), Presiding (10 min) Leah Schade, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Panelist (20 min)

Monica Melanchthon, United Faculty of Theology, Panelist (20 min)

Break (5 min)

J. Dwayne Howell, Campbellsville University, Panelist (20 min)

Barbara Rossing, Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago, Panelist (20 min)

Break (5 min)

Charles Aaron, First United Methodist Church (Gainesville, TX), Respondent (10 min)

Discussion (40 min)

S24-123

Islands, Islanders, and Scriptures

11/24/2013

9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Room: Armistead - Hilton

Arthur Walker-Jones, University of Winnipeg

"May Mountains Produce Shalom": A Turtle Island Reading of Psalm 72 (20 min)

Gosnell Yorke, Northern Caribbean University

AOSIS and John's Apocalypse: Forging a Link between Climate Change and Cosmic Catastrophe (20 min)

Deborah Storie, Whitley College/Melbourne College of Divinity Resisting Joseph: A Biblical Critique of 'Disaster Response' (20 min)

A24-225

Religion and Humanism Group

Theme: Humanism, Sustainability, and Environmentalism Glenn Whitehouse, Florida Gulf Coast University, Presiding

Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM Convention Center-313

This session addresses the degree to which humanism is or is not antithetical to environmentalism. Topics address will include the impact of humanism on the history of environmental ethics, the problem of a dualistic metaphysics in human interaction in with the environment, the problem of casting of environment in purely consumptive terms, and the reasonableness of the discourse of sustainability.

Verna Marina Ehret, Mercyhurst University

From Consumption to Sustainability: Transforming the Narratives of Humanity and Nature

Maria Antonaccio, Bucknell University

Humanism and the Cultural Logic of Sustainability

Kevin Aho, Florida Gulf Coast University

Heideggerian Reflections on a Nondual Ecology

Kristel Clayville, University of Chicago

History in the Environmental Ethics of Hans Jonas and Bill McKibben: A Study in Continuity and Change

Business Meeting:

W. David Hall, Centre College

A24-220

Latina/o Religion, Culture, and Society Group Theme: *Pueblos y los Espíritus de la Tierra* Sammy Alfaro, Grand Canyon University, Presiding Sunday - 1:00 PM-2:30 PM Convention Center-330

This session will explore the intersections among ways people engage and imagine land, spirit and inspiration. Papers will engage ecological, sociological and spiritual perspectives from intercontinental directions.

Rebecca Tatum, Union Theological Seminary

Environment and Faith, or Faith and Environment? A Story from Amazonas, Brazil

Mary Louise Stone, California Institute of Integral Studies

Andean Panpipes: Communing with the Spirit World

A24-252

Public Understanding of Religion Committee Theme: *The Marty Forum: Wendell Berry* Michael Kessler, Georgetown University, Presiding Wendell Berry, Port Royal, Kentucky, Presiding Sunday - 3:00 PM-4:30 PM Convention Center-307-308

Wendell Berry, recipient of the 2013 Martin E. Marty Award for the Public Understanding of Religion, will be interviewed by Norman Wirzba, Professor of Theology, Ecology, and Rural Life at Duke Divinity School. As a novelist, poet, essayist, and public intellectual, Berry has provided a powerful voice in promoting values that extol land, critique the culture of late capitalism, and support human rights. Berry is the author of more than 40 works of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry. In 2012, Berry, who has taught at Stanford, Georgetown, and New York Universities, delivered the National Endowment for the Humanities Jefferson Lecture, the most prestigious honor that the U.S. federal government confers for intellectual achievement in the humanities. The Marty Award recognizes extraordinary contributions to the public understanding of religion. The award goes to those whose work has a relevance and eloquence that speaks, not just to scholars, but more broadly to the public as well.

Panelists:

Norman Wirzba, Duke University

A24-264

Christian Systematic Theology Section and Animals and Religion Group

Theme: Theology Beyond Humanity: A Conversation on David Clough's On Animals, Volume I: Systematic

Theology (T&T Clark, 2012)

David S. Cunningham, Hope College, Presiding

Sunday - 3:00 PM-5:00 PM Convention Center-311

David Clough's *On Animals* is the first work to consider the place of animals in Christian systematic theology, treating a wide range of doctrinal questions under the broad headings of creation, reconciliation, and redemption. The book argues that addressing "the animal question" is crucial for the coherence of Christian theology — and that doing so can bring new insights to the discipline, as well as guiding human conduct in relation to non-human animals. This panel will subject the book to critical scrutiny from a diverse range of theological perspectives (feminist, African-American, philosophical, and denominational); panelists will explore the power relationships inherent in traditional Christian reflection on animals, as well as the implications of including or excluding animals from Christian accounts of community and communal praxis. The panel will consider whether the book succeeds in making its case for greater theological attention to animals, as well as evaluating the positions it defends.

Panelists:

Margaret B. Adam, University of Glasgow Christopher Carter, Claremont School of Theology David Fergusson, University of Edinburgh Unregistered Participant Responding: David Clough, University of Chester S24-313

Ecological Hermeneutics

11/24/2013

4:00 PM to 6:30 PM Room: Holiday 4 - Hilton

Theme: *Poverty*, *Ecology*, *and the Bible* Daniel J. Stulac, Duke University

Hierarchy and Violence in Gen 1:26-28: An Agrarian Solution (30 min)

Arthur Walker-Jones, University of Winnipeg

Empire's Greenwash of Earth's Story in Psalm 72 (30 min)

Elaine Wainwright, University of Auckland

Why This Waste? Reading Matt 26:6-13 Anew (30 min)

Anne Elvey, MCD University of Divinity and Monash University

A Hermeneutics of Retrieval: The Creative Imagination and the Earth Voice in the Text—Does Earth Care for the

<u>Poor?</u> (30 min)

Susan Miller, University of Aberdeen

An Ecological Interpretation of the Anointing of Jesus by Mary of Bethany (30 min)

Norman Habel, Flinders University, Presiding

S24-319

Homiletics and Biblical Studies

11/24/2013

4:00 PM to 6:30 PM Room: Peale B - Hilton

Ruthanna Hooke, Virginia Theological Seminary, Presiding

Paul C. Boles, Azusa Pacific University

The Scripturalization of Creation in Origen's Genesis Homily 1 (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Charles Aaron, First United Methodist Church

A Perspective Criticism Analysis of Genesis 22 for Preaching (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

Break (5 min)

Stephen L. Cook, Virginia Theological Seminary

Preaching about Nature in the Prophets of the Exile (20 min)

Discussion (10 min)

A24-323

Buddhist Critical-Constructive Reflection Group and Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: Contemporary Buddhist Environmental Philosophy and Activism

Eleanor Finnegan, University of Alabama, Presiding

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM Hilton Baltimore-Holiday 6

Unregistered Participant

Farming Satori: the Buddhist Philosophy of naturalist farmer Fukuoka Masanobu

Unregistered Participant

Master Sheng Yen's Concept of Protecting the Spiritual Environment

Chanju Mun, Coastal Carolina University

Jiyul and Ecofeminism: Hunger Strikes and the Lawsuit for Salamanders

Responding:

Sallie B. King, James Madison University

A24-324

Christian Spirituality Group Theme: *Encountering the Wild* Unregistered Participant, Presiding Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM Hilton Baltimore-Paca

Henry David Thoreau famously wrote, "In wildness is the preservation of the world." How do encounters with the wild -- or wildness, or wilderness, in their multiple layers of meaning -- mediate the presence and reality of God in Christian experience? How might Christian conceptions of God need new wilding in our time, toward conversion to the life of the natural world itself? The papers in this session trace the significance of Quaker theologian John Woolman's immersions in wilderness, the transforming power of encounter with the wild in children's lives, and the essential role of the alterity of wilderness in Kierkegaard's spirituality.

Jon Kershner, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom
"Far back in the wilderness:" John Woolman (1720-1772) in the Wild
Christopher Barnett, Villanova University
The Paradox of Wilderness—Or Learning How to Be Human in the Natural World
Elizabeth O'Donnell Gandolfo, Emory University
Encountering God "Where the Wild Things Are:" Towards an Eco-Spirituality of Parenting

A24-317

Study of Judaism Section

Theme: Judaism and the Borders of Textuality

Benjamin Sax, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Presiding

Sunday - 5:00 PM-6:30 PM Hilton Baltimore-Pickersgill

Julia Watts Belser, Georgetown University

Reading the Rain: Rabbinic Ecology, Performative Perception, and the Discourse of Divine Signs

Monday

A25-131

Native Traditions in the Americas Group and Religion and Food Group
Theme: Restoring Right Relationships Between Native Americans and Plant and Animal Beings
Dale A. Stover, University of Nebraska, Omaha, Presiding
Monday - 9:00 AM-11:30 AM
Convention Center-303

Native Americans have a history of living in a symbiotic relationship with the plant and animal beings that shared their homelands. That relationship, expressed in terms of kinship, encouraged attention to the health of plant and animal beings, which in reciprocal fashion aided human health. Resource development and genomic research have challenged the ability of Native Americans to maintain that symbiotic relationship, threatening traditional food sources and the health and well-being of Native peoples. These papers explore the relationships between Native peoples and oyster beds in the Chesapeake Bay, grass-fed bison in the central plains, salmon in the Pacific

Northwest, and wild rice in the Western Great Lakes region. Each of the papers addresses the impact of threatened species on Native American foodways and cultural and ceremonial life, and different expressions of regeneration and revitalization among Native peoples.

Unregistered Participant

Mother Water's Lungs: Chesapeake Oysters Michelene Pesantubbee, University of Iowa

Those Ornery Cows: Domesticated Bison and Native American Health

Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University

"This Is Dances with Salmon, You Know!": An Unauthorized Interpretation of Smoke Signals

Michael McNally, Carleton College

Manoomin/Wild Rice and Contemporary Anishinaabe Peoplehood

Responding:

Martha Finch, Missouri State University

Business Meeting:

Michael Zogry, University of Kansas

Mary Churchill, Sonoma State University

S25-118

Feminist Hermeneutics of the Bible

11/25/2013

9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Room: 301-2 - Convention Center

Theme: Special Topics in Feminist Interpretation of the Bible

Ma. Marilou S. Ibita, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Absent Women at the Corinthian Lord's Supper? Reconsidering Gender, Economic, and Ecological Issues in 1 Cor

11:17-34 (30 min)

A25-226

Religion and Ecology Group

Theme: Internal and External Spaces of Loss, Learning and Hope

Matthew Riley, Drew University, Presiding

Monday - 1:00 PM-3:30 PM Convention Center-338

This panel explores a sense of place in several ways: in the spiritually grounded activism of the "Green Sisters" of Kansas; through environmentalism in the inner city; by investigating the possibility of finding hope in environmental loss; and offering the notion of an "ecological vocation" to combat nature-deficit disorder.

Rachel Myslivy, University of Kansas

A Sense of Place in the Green Sisters of Kansas

Amanda Baugh, California State University Northridge

Religious Environmentalism in the "Inner City"

Nancy Menning, Ithaca College

Teaching Hope: Death, Rites of Passage, and Environmental Loss

Kiara Jorgenson, Luther Seminary

Ecological Vocation: A Practical Antidote to Nature-Deficit Disorder

Business Meeting:

Heather Eaton, Saint Paul University Lucas Johnston, Wake Forest University A25-340

Wesleyan Studies Group

Theme: Toward A Wesleyan Theology of Ecology Jason Vickers, United Theological Seminary, Presiding

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

Sheraton Inner Harbor-Harborview II

Is It Too Late? A Theology of Ecology, by John B. Cobb, Jr. (originally published in 1972; revised edition, 1995) was the first book-length theological treatment of the impending ecological crisis. Forty years later, the ecological crisis has deepened as the human population of the earth continues to grow exponentially and mounting evidence indicates the realities of global warming and climate change as a conse-quence of human activity. The papers to be presented in this session seek to contribute to the development of a constructive Wesleyan theology of ecology.

Jay McDaniel, Hendrix College

Holy Communion: Works of Mercy and Piety for an Ecological Age

Jane Ellen Nickell, Allegheny College

A Wesleyan Oikos Ethic

Carolyn Davis, Vanderbilt University

Cross-Pollination: Toward a Wesleyan-Feminist Soteriology of Ecology

Business Meeting:

Rex D. Matthews, Emory University

A25-315

Animals and Religion Group
Theme: Thinking Animals, Rethinking Religious Identities
Aaron Gross, University of San Diego, Presiding
Manday, 400 RM 6400 RM

Monday - 4:00 PM-6:00 PM Hilton Baltimore-Holiday 4

What roles do animals play in the creation and maintenance of human identities? Thinking across diverse religious contexts, including sacrifice and ritual slaughter, what methodological and theoretical insights might we gain about how humans imagine themselves and others by focusing on the meanings of animals and animality? This session brings together four papers that explore the roles of animals, from dogs to centaurs, in forging communal and religious identities in American civil religion, American Judaism, Islamic texts, post-Shoah Jewish testimony, and among the Yoruba of Nigeria.

Sarra Tlili, University of Florida

A Stand against Dogs or a Stand against Petting? Some Dog Themes in Islamic Tradition

Enoch Gbadegesin, Rice University

A Critical Appraisal of the Sacred Role of Dogs in an Indigenous Religious Tradition among the Yoruba of Nigeria Andrea Cooper, New York University

Centaur and Muselmann: On the Threshold of the Human Animal

Responding:

Barbara Ambros, University of North Carolina

Tuesday

A26-108
Ethics Section
Theme: *The Ethics of Environmental Justice*Victor Anderson, Vanderbilt University, Presiding

Tuesday - 9:00 AM-11:00 AM Hilton Baltimore-Holiday 2

This panel will explore environmental ethics and the moral relationship of human beings in creating a sustainable environment. This session covers: the connection of deep ecology, religious plural and confessional approaches to environmental ethics, and social ecology to politics; the attempt to apply traditional ethical theories; and the focus of environmental literature on possible future developments of the discipline.

Russell Powell, Princeton Theological Seminary

Plural Approaches, Responsible Solutions: Assessing Ethical Plurality in Environmental Sustainability Ilsup Ahn, North Park University

A Covenantal-Confessional Approach to Christian Environmental Ethics: The Case of Ecological Justice in Mexico's Maquiladoras

Augustine Joseph, KU Leuven

 ${\it Integrity as a Positive Fundamental Option: A Comprehensive Solution for Environmental \, Disaster.}$

Unregistered Participant

Environmental Ethics and the 'Sense of Place': An Eco-critical Reading of Sula by Toni Morrison