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President's Column

by **Ray Murphy**, President of RC-24

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I would like to thank those of you who have organized RC-24 conferences on various aspects of Environment and Society or are organizing them. Conferences affiliated with RC-24 and announced in its Newsletter or on its listserv have been or are being organized by Hilary Tovey in Dublin, Ireland in January, by Jeffrey Broadbent in Minnesota, USA in January, by Mercedes Pardo in Madrid, Spain in April, by Harold Heinrichs in Luneburg, Germany in June, by Dayong Hong and Suocheng Li in Beijing, China in late June and early July, and by Matthias Gross and Harold Heinrichs in Luneburg, Germany in November. This is an impressive list for 2007, the year following the World Congress in Durban, South Africa. RC-24 remains one of the most active research committees in the International Sociological Association because of the initiative of its members in organizing conferences.

I would also like to inform you about another conference that is still in the embryonic stages. On January 23, 2007, the ISA Vice-President for Research Arturo Rodríguez Morató sent an email to all ISA Research Committee Presidents and Secretaries. He pointed out that RCs are statutorily obliged to hold at least one interim meeting between World Congresses. However many RCs, unlike RC-24, have had difficulty organizing even one meeting between World Congresses. So Professor Rodríguez Morató proposed a new kind of mid-term meeting within ISA to help improve the level of RC activity. This new conference would combine meetings elaborated by each RC with the conference and business meeting of the ISA Research Council. It will be named the First ISA World Forum of Sociology and will be held from 5th to 8th September 2008 in Barcelona, Spain. The Forum will bring together two elements: 1) a general program conceived as a dialogue between RCs and made up of the papers presented by the RCs' delegates to the Research Council conference, and 2) the parallel programs of the RCs that choose to participate. Coherence will be provided by the theme chosen by the ISA for the overall Forum: "Sociological Research and Public Debate". This is to be used as a reference mark for formulating the themes and subjects of the independently elaborated RCs' programs. This means that the program proposals of the RCs participating in the event have to refer to relevant issues in the public debate to which their specialty has contributed in some way. The Forum will combine a large number of programs about key issues in contemporary society with a common program devoted to questions relevant to the general relationship between sociological research and public debate. The goal of the ISA is to present the event as an open Forum of debate focussing toward the public sphere instead of focussing exclusively on the

academic community of sociologists proper. The ISA will elaborate a comprehensive plan of communication trying to project as much as possible the Forum towards the media and citizenry, and second, it will organize a series of debates open to the general public featuring prominent sociologists participating in the event, specialists from other disciplines, and relevant actors in the public sphere.

The Forum will be organized by the ISA jointly with the Catalan Association of Sociology (ACS) and the Spanish Federation of Sociology (FES). As ISA Vice-President for Research, Professor Arturo Rodríguez Morató assumes ultimate responsibility for its organization, with the support of ISA President Michel Wieviorka and President Oriol Homs of the ACS and President Manuel Pérez Yruela of the FES. Suitable venues have already been identified in the city center by the University of Barcelona and the organizers are planning to launch an extensive sponsorship program. RCs will be offered the possibility of holding specific social and cultural activities. The Forum is also intended to enhance the use of the three official languages of the ISA and to encourage the participation of Latin American colleagues as much as possible, thereby enlarging the Hispanic base of the ISA. Each participating RC will have a room and hold a maximum of seven sessions of two hours each. If, however, at the pre-registration deadline, an RC has more than 42 papers, a second room will be provided to add sessions so that the program could have a maximum of 14 sessions.

I replied to Professor Rodríguez Morató that RC-24 enthusiastically supports his initiative of holding the First ISA World Forum of Sociology in Barcelona in September 2008 and would be pleased to participate. I then asked three RC-24 members from Spain – David Tabara (Barcelona), Mercedes Pardo (Madrid), and Ernest Garcia (Valencia) – to join me on the RC-24 organizing committee. They graciously accepted. We discussed a possible title for the RC-24 meetings that would fit with the theme and parameters decided by the ISA. Our chosen title was “Contributions of Environmental Sociology to Sustainable Societies”. The RC-24 organizing committee is conducting its planning assuming that we will have sufficient numbers of participants to be allotted the maximum number of sessions (14 sessions with 84 papers) allowed by the ISA.

On May 7, 2007 Professor Rodríguez Morató sent further information to the Presidents and Secretaries of RCs informing us that 35 RCs (two-thirds of the total) have chosen to participate in the Barcelona World Forum. The general coordinator will be Ingo von Sundahl. The Swedish Congress Organizing company, Congrex, which is in charge of the technical support for the 2010 World Congress of Sociology, will assume a similar function with respect to the 2008 World Forum in Barcelona. More information about the World forum is given under the “Upcoming Conferences” rubrique below. A formal Call for Papers will be sent out in due course. Here, I just want to keep you fully informed and to encourage you to start thinking about participating in the Forum.

On a very different note, our executive during this mandate has not only been productive but also reproductive. RC-24's Secretary, Dana Fisher, gave birth to a baby girl Margot on February 5 and our Treasurer, Matthias Gross, is hard at work countering Germany's declining birth rate with his third child expected in late May. Congratulations to both of you on behalf of RC-24.

Dana has begun transferring the RC-24 website from Wageningen University in the Netherlands to Columbia University in the United States. Because she is currently on maternity leave, the information on the RC-24 website is not yet up to date, particularly concerning upcoming conferences. The website will be in good order by July and perhaps by June. Please be understanding in the interval. The conferences are listed at the beginning of this article and elsewhere in this Newsletter.

I hope that your countries and governments are more successful than mine at dealing with the issue of greenhouse-gas emissions. Canada has had an excellent international reputation built through its support for the Montreal Protocol to control ozone-layer depletion, its contributions to peacekeeping, banning land mines, etc., but it now has one of the world's worst records for greenhouse-gas emissions. Its Conservative Prime Minister once described the Kyoto Protocol as a socialist plot to suck money out of hard working Canadians and his government is attempting to scare the public into believing that Kyoto will ruin the economy. A convenient lie has been advanced to rhetorically combat an inconvenient truth. No caps have been placed on emissions, tax shifting away from taxing goods and toward taxing pollution has been rejected, and very little will be done until the Kyoto period is over. The government is, however, introducing a law to ban incandescent light bulbs starting in 2012. It can see nothing more than a fluorescent version of environmental enlightenment.

Notes from the Editor

by **Dana R. Fisher**, Secretary of RC-24 and Editor of the Newsletter
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As Ray has announced, my daughter, Margot Fisher Patton, was born in February (here's a photo of her at 14 weeks old). Although I had very ambitious goals about what I would accomplish during my maternity leave, I have been humbled to find that caring for a newborn is truly a full-time job. Even though I have been unsuccessful at getting much academic work done, being a new mother has given me a novel perspective on our overly consumptive culture. I am continually amazed at all of the so-called "necessary" products that are geared toward addressing the challenges of raising a baby in the post-industrial age. I expect that this time that I have taken caring for Margot and experiencing life as a new mom will inform my research in the coming years. I am very happy to see RC-24 members planning conferences and workshops that will touch on issues of consumption (for more information, see the Conferences section of the Newsletter beginning on page 6).

As always, I am very happy to send announcements to the RC-24 list. To guard against members receiving unnecessary e-mails that were aimed toward particular recipients, I have slightly adjusted the list so that it is moderated. Thus, if you would like to have an announcement, call for papers etc. sent to the list, please e-mail it to me at

drf2004@columbia.edu and I will forward your e-mail on to our members. Please note that a number of members have virus protection on their servers that will not allow attachments sent from the list. Additionally, the computer program that moderates the list will not accept mime formatted e-mails. So, please send me a text version of anything you want distributed or, even better, include it in the text of your e-mails to me.

Durban 2006, A Local Perspective

by **David Fig**, Board Member of the RC-24

Independent Scholar

Reports on ISA2006 by RC-24 rapporteurs have tended to focus on organisational issues and the security situation at the Durban congress, both of which had room for improvement. Clearly they were astounded by the level of policing at the Congress, which it needs to be stated is completely abnormal at the best of times in South African cities. However, there had been incidents in which ISA sociologists were mugged in unsafe areas, and the city police responded in an exaggerated way in order to avoid further incidents. The level of security in many developing countries is such that people normally used to safe streets need to be able to make correct judgements about levels of social violence and personal safety. Rapporteurs seemed alarmed by the situation, yet as sociologists, one would have expected that there would be some consequences flowing from ISA's decision to hold congress in a country with 40% unemployment and extreme levels of social dislocation and inequality.

However, for me, the question which the rapporteurs totally ignored was that of addressing the challenge of African conditions for professional environmental sociologists.

As a researcher based in South Africa, I would have enjoyed some outside reflection on:

- the state of the profession within Africa
- the means to stimulate the expansion of environmental sociology in Africa
- addressing the question of scant African membership of RC-24
- responses to the sessions on African environments within the RC-24 programme
- responses to the opportunities for engaging with local issues (e.g., the Toxic Tour facilitated by the South Durban Community Environmental Association)

Africa is a continent which provides fertile ground for the exercise of the profession, and yet there are very few of us who see it as a useful field of research. Very few African universities offer tuition in the sub-discipline, and the small number of social scientists concerned with environment and society form less than a critical mass within the academy. As RC-24, we need to help deepen the sub-discipline within Africa, making use of our networks to ensure that more African academics and students engage with us. A creative approach requires focusing on mutual exchanges, offers to strengthen library resources and Ph D programmes, stimulating the publication culture, encouraging the increased inclusion of African social scientists in international research programmes, and

so on. We should think of effective methods to incentivise expanded African membership in the of RC-24. We need a broader discussion of how such measures could go beyond Africa to embrace other developing areas.

As the only African member of the current RC-24 Board, I would welcome suggestions from members on how we can begin to address these matters in more practical ways.

New Challenges for German Environmental Sociology—And Beyond

By **Matthias Groß**, Treasurer of the RC-24
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Even though the last 100 years of German sociology have provided us with a long tradition of sociological research and theorizing on the nature-society nexus, the *German Sociological Society's* section on Environmental Sociology was officially founded in 1996. In order to give consideration to Dunlap and Catton's proposed new ecological paradigm, which calls for an inclusion of ecological facts as independent variables in sociological research, the group began as a section on "Sociology and Ecology." Since the term "environmental sociology" has become internationally established to cover different types of sociological research on the environment (including research attempting to include elements of the natural environment as independent variables), the election of a new board of the section in October 2006 was used as a platform for discussing a possible name change. The newly elected chairs, Harald Heinrichs (Lüneburg) and Matthias Gross (Leipzig) have pushed for this name change and it was finalized in the spring of 2007. This change also serves as an indicator that German environmental sociology is finally on its way to expanding beyond its nationally focused research niche.

Consequently, the German Sociological Society's section on "Environmental Sociology" aims to build and foster thematic networks around relevant research fields in Germany as well as beyond. In support of this goal, we are in the process of inaugurating a biennial conference that has English as the working language. Harald and I are planning to launch what we have called the first *German Environmental Sociology Summit* to be held at the University of Lüneburg from November 8 -10, 2007. The second meeting will be held in Leipzig in 2009.

At the first meeting, which will be organized in cooperation with the ISA RC-24, our focus will be on new interdisciplinary developments relevant to environmental sociology. We are presently looking for contributions on key topics we have identified as important research areas for the coming years. These include five core themes (which are not meant to be exhaustive): 1) The field of "Social Theories and the Environment" (traditionally a strong field in German environmental research); 2) Research on "Disaster, Risk and Adaptation" (given current debates on adaptation to global environmental change, this theme seems to be especially crucial); 3) Research on "Ecosystem Design & Management" (much of environmental sociology has focused on nature-conservation

issues, but not on active design and restoration of the natural environment); 4) The field of “Sustainability, Environmental Governance and Multi-Level Decision Making” (before political science and other fields take over this area...); and, finally, 5) Debates on “(Global) Environmental Change, Culture and Communication” (some of the strength of sociology has been to understand better the connection between global developments and new forms of communication, but this subject has received limited attention from environmental sociologists). We are currently in negotiation with the *German Research Foundation* (DFG), which has expressed interest in funding the conference. (For further details on the meeting in November 2007 please see also the Call for Papers on page 9 of the Newsletter).

The positive feedback that Harald and I have received thus far regarding our strategy to strengthen the German Environmental Sociology section indicates that we have some promising prerequisites for productive work during the next decade and hopefully beyond. We look forward to developing the German environmental sociology landscape in close cooperation with the RC-24.

Upcoming Conferences and Calls for Papers (in chronological order)

Center for Environmental Policy and Administration

Maxwell Workshop on Organizations & the Natural Environment

22-24 May 2007

Workshop organizers: Steve Brechin, Syracuse University, Christopher Thoms, Colby College and Charlie Benjamin, Williams College

Day 1: May 23rd

Panel 1: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Networks and Ecosystem Management

Susan Lurie, Oregon State University -- Bruce Evan Goldstein and William H. Butler, Virginia Tech

Panel 2: 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Local Networks in Environmentalism

Laura Robinson, Auburn University -- Elizabeth McCance, McCance Consulting -- Meredith Welch-Devine,

University of Georgia

Panel 3: 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Conceptual Issues in Collaborative Planning Processes

Adam Henry, University of California, Davis -- Julia Wondelleck, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Panel 4: 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Forms of Network Governance

Christopher Thoms, Colby College -- Steve Brechin, Syracuse University

Day 2: May 24th

Panel 5: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Civil Society Networks & Conservation Management
Rosaleen Duffy, Manchester University, UK – Charles Benjamin, Williams College –
Tammy L. Lewis,
Muhlenberg College

Panel 6: 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Social Capital and Multifunctionality

Peter Wilshusen, Bucknell University – Steven Wolf, Cornell University

Comments and Discussion:

2:00 p.m.

Rosemary O’Leary and Tony Bebbington

Sessions are Open to the Public

For complete details go to <http://cepa.maxwell.syr.edu/pages/111.html>

Sponsored jointly by the Center for Environmental Policy and Administration, the
Sociology Department, and the Maxwell School.

Faculty Diversity & Environmental Justice Research Symposium

School of Natural Resources and Environment

University of Michigan

7-9 June 2007

There are still a few openings on panels and there are several openings to make poster presentations. If you are interested in making a presentation, please submit an abstract on-line at the conference website right away. Please register soon also if you are interested in participating in the conference.

We are still accepting entries into the Environmental Justice Research Directory -- entries can be submitted on line at the Website listed below.

The conference website can be viewed at:

<http://sitemaker.umich.edu/diversityejresearchsymposium>.

Or contact Dorceta E. Taylor at dorceta@umich.edu

Beijing International Conference on Environmental Sociology

Reimin University of China, Beijing, China

29 June-July 1, 2007

A full description of the conference and a call for papers was included in the November Newsletter.

For more information, contact Dayong Hong or Suocheng Li, at e-mail:

social@ruc.edu.cn or hongdy@ruc.edu.cn or via phone (86-10-62511143) or Fax (86-10-62511143).

IV International Nanotechnology, Society and Environment Seminar
Vitoria City, Brazil
6-8 August 2007

For more information, go to: www.nanotechnology.iv.fapesp.br

Call for papers:

International Workshop on “Lifestyles of the New Middle Classes in Industrialising Countries: Varieties of modernity between McDonaldisation and Sustainability Perspectives”

University of Bremen, Bremen, Germany

3-5 October 2007

The world-wide spread of extremely resource-intensive lifestyles are one of the most important challenges on the way towards a more sustainable future. Despite the epochal dimensions of this challenge, there is not only a dearth of sustainable policy concepts, but also a lack of socio-scientific approaches that come anywhere near an adequate analysis of the issues at hand. In particular, it is still an open question whether and under what conditions lifestyles are becoming globalised, and how such a globalisation can be politically influenced in a sustainability perspective.

It is from such a perspective that the symposium aims to contribute to the international research debate on consumption and sustainability. The main focus lies on the globalisation of lifestyles and on related consumption patterns. To come to a more comprehensive understanding of the issue, pertinent inquiries and findings from other fields of research will be reviewed in the workshop. These include the socio-economic characteristics exhibited by the promoters of specific consumption patterns ("new middle classes"), the infrastructures and political frameworks affecting consumption patterns ("systems of provision" and "transition management"), and societal "modernisation" as a framework of socio-cultural homogenisation and/or of differentiation.

The aim of the workshop is to discuss the globalisation of lifestyles and of related consumption patterns from different academic perspectives. We intend to promote the discussion between strands of thinking that seem to be rather unconnected up until now. Such a combination of multidisciplinary analytical perspectives is expected to give rise to new empirical and theoretical perspectives on consumption patterns and globalisation. Thus, the workshop will contribute to the research on sustainable consumption with a view to the level of global challenges and change processes, both from a theoretical and empirical perspective.

The objectives of the workshop are:

- To contribute to a conceptual framework in which the relation between sustainability and consumption is analysed under the conditions of globalisation bearing in mind the social-scientific complexity.

- To enhance the scientific discussion about sustainability and consumption by relating current research on societal change in a globalised world with research on sustainable consumption.

The workshop is structured into four panels:

- The characteristics and the development of the "new middle classes"
- The importance and the dynamics of lifestyles in these milieus
- The impact of systems of provision and of governance systems
- Convergence and divergence of societal paths of modernisation

Abstracts from a wide variety of disciplines are welcome. These include sociology, geography, economy, political science and anthropology. The conference language is English. We are planning to publish the outcome as an edited volume. Travel expenses will be covered.

Please submit a 700-word abstract by June 15, 2007, as a MSWord or Rich Text document to: Andrea Meier: ameier@artec.uni-bremen.de

The abstracts should mention the methodological background, the empirical basis, and the panel into which your presentation fits. Please add a short CV including the current focus of your scientific work.

For more information, contact Hellmuth Lange at lange@artec.uni-bremen.de

The German Environmental Sociology Summit 007: International and Interdisciplinary Challenges
University of Lüneburg, Germany
8-10 November 2007

The German Sociological Association (DGS): Section on "Environmental Sociology" and the ISA RC-24 announce a **Call for Papers**.

Topics of the Summit 007

Against this background, the German network of environmental sociology aims to start a conference that will be held biennially to foster exchange on current environment-related issues between German environmental sociologists and environmental sociologists from other countries. The conference will also include related (sub)disciplines such as science and technology studies, rural sociology, human geography, environmental psychology or environmental political science. In this context, the *Summit 007 focuses explicitly on new international and interdisciplinary developments which might be of relevance for strengthening German environmental sociology – and hopefully vice versa*. Therefore the conference language will be English.

Especially welcome are contributions on the following key topics, which we consider to be important research areas in Germany and abroad for the coming years:

- Social Theories and the Environment
- Disaster, Risk and Adaptation
- Ecosystem Design & Management
- Sustainability, Environmental Governance and Multi-Level Decision Making
- (Global) Environmental Change, Culture and Communication

Along with paper presentations on theory and research, time will be allocated for papers on new developments in the teaching of environmental sociology, especially in international and interdisciplinary contexts. Moreover, there will be time allocated for structured discussions on new challenges for environmental sociology in research and teaching, as well as on the successful transfer of environmental sociological expertise to practitioners, stakeholders and/or policy makers.

Additionally, we will invite Keynote speakers from Germany and abroad who have contributed and continue to contribute significantly to our field of research.

Confirmed Keynote Speakers:

Joseph Huber (University of Halle, Germany)

Arthur P.J. Mol (Wageningen University, Netherlands)

Steven Yearley (University of Edinburgh, UK)

Participation and Papers

Based on scientific strength, creativity, and innovativeness, the organizing committee will select the papers. The conference will include 50-60 participants. Please send an abstract to one or several of the above listed themes with a maximum of 400 words no later than June 15, 2007 to: harald.heinrichs@uni-lueneburg.de and matthias.gross@ufz.de.

The selected papers are expected to be distributed one week in advance among conference participants.

Location

Lüneburg is a medieval town and a vibrant university city. It is located 30 minutes by train from Hamburg in the North of Germany. It is easy to reach by plane, train, or car. More information on the city of Lüneburg is available on the city's website: http://www.lueneburg.de/index.htm?baum_id=3221&lang=en. The conference venue is located on the Lüneburg university campus: <http://www.uni-lueneburg.de/>.

For more information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

Harald Heinrichs, University of Lüneburg, Germany, harald.heinrichs@uni-lueneburg.de

Or Matthias Gross, UFZ – Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research, Leipzig, Germany, matthias.gross@ufz.de

First ISA World Forum of Sociology
“Sociological Research and Public Debate”
RC-24 theme: “Contributions of Environmental Sociology to Sustainable Societies”
Barcelona, Spain
5-8 September 2008

The formal “Call for Papers” will be sent out in due course (and will be forwarded to the RC-24 List).

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There will be a limited number of travel grants to help sociologists from B and C countries participate in the World Forum.

Journals, Volumes, and Calls for Submissions

Communication, Cooperation, Participation: Research and Practice for a Sustainable Future has just been published.

Available at: www.ccp-online.org

The journal’s four sections will bring you scientific articles, praxis reports, student contributions and book reviews. Moreover, there is an opportunity for public debate on reviewed scientific articles. In order to receive the next issue on time (autumn 2007), as well as our special issues, we invite you to register with your e-mail address on the journal’s Website.

Paper-Revista de Sociologia has Published a Special Issue on Environmental Sociology.

The issue includes pieces by Raymond Murphy, and Ernest Garcia, as well as an interview with Former ISA RC-24 President Riley Dunlap, who reflects on the evolution

of environmental sociology and its links to issues such as professionalisation, interdisciplinary integration and sustainability.

For electronic access to the volume, go to:
www.raco.cat/index.php/Papers/issue/view/4749

In September 2007, the *Sage Handbook of Environment and Society* will be published.

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The Handbook of Environment and Society focuses on the interactions between people, societies and economies, and the state of nature and the environment. Editorially integrated but written from multi-disciplinary perspectives, *The Handbook of Environment and Society* is organised in seven sections:

- Environmental thought: past and present
- Valuing the environment
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- Political economy of environmental change
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- Institutions and policies for influencing the environment

Key themes include: locations where the environment-society relation is most acute: where, for example, there are few natural resources or where industrialization is unregulated; the discussion of these issues at different scales: local, regional, national, and global; the cost of damage to resources; and the relation between principal actors in the environment-society nexus.

Aimed at an international audience of academics, research students, researchers, practitioners and policy makers, *The Handbook on Environment and Society* presents readers in social science and natural science with a manual of the past, present and future of environment-society links.

Announcements and Resources

William R. Freudenburg of the University of California-Santa Barbara received the Fred Buttel Outstanding Scholarly Achievement award at the Rural Sociological Society's Annual Meeting in August 2006 for his article "Privileged Access, Privileged Accounts: Toward a Socially Structured Theory of Resources and Discourses." *Social Forces* 94 (1): 89-114. Congratulations Bill!

The American Sociological Association section on Environment and Technology archives its newsletters on its website. To access the archive and a copy of the most recent issue, see: www.linfield.edu/soan/et/newsletter.htm

Recent Member Publications and Talks (in alphabetical order)

Dunlap, Riley E. and Brent K. Marshall. 2007. "Environmental Sociology." Pp. 329-340 in C. D. Bryant and D. L. Peck (eds.), *21st Century Sociology: A Reference Handbook*, Vol. 2. Thousands Oaks, CA: Sage.

Dunlap, Riley E. 2007. "Sociology of the Environment." Pp. 1417-1422 in G. Ritzer (ed.), *Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology*, Vol. 4. Malden, MA: Blackwell.

Xiao, Chenyang and Riley E. Dunlap. 2007. "Validating a Comprehensive Model of Environmental Concern Cross-Nationally: A Canadian-USA Comparison." *Social Science Quarterly* 88:471-493.

The above three publications are available in PDFs from Riley Dunlap at rdunlap@okstate.edu.

Peter Oosterveer, Julia S. Guivant and Gert Spaargaren. 2007. "Shopping for Green Food in Globalizing Supermarkets: Sustainability at the consumption junction." *Sage Handbook of Environment and Society*. Sage Publications.

Ariel Salleh (ed.) 2006, 'Symposium: Ecosocialist-Ecofeminist Dialogues', *Capitalism Nature Socialism*, Vol. 17, No. 4, 32-124.

Ariel Salleh, 2006 'Organised Irresponsibility: Contradictions in the Australian Government's Strategy for GM Regulation', *Environmental Politics*, Vol. 15, No. 3, 399-416.

Ariel Salleh, 2006 'Embodying the Deepest Contradiction', *Capitalism Nature Socialism*, Vol. 17, No. 4, 116-125.

Ariel Salleh, 2006 'We in the North are the Biggest Problem for the South: A Conversation with Hilikka Pietila', *Capitalism Nature Socialism*, Vol. 17, No. 1, 44-61.

Ariel Salleh, 2006 'Social Ecology and the Man Question' in Piers Stephens, John Barry, and Andrew Dobson (eds.), *Contemporary Environmental Politics: From Margins to Mainstream* (London: Routledge).

Ariel Salleh, 2006 'Resistance to Corporate Biocolonisation', *Organization & Environment*, Vol. 19, 406-410.

Ariel Salleh, 2006 'Ecological Economics and the Humanity-Nature Metabolism', *Proceedings of the Ninth International Society for Ecological Economics Conference*, New Delhi

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