

CONFERENCE ON  
**THE ANTI-LANDSCAPE**

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Constantin Canavas, Hamburg University  
David Nye, University of Southern Denmark  
Donald Worster, University of Kansas  
Greg Garrard, Bath-Spa University  
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Peter Mortensen, University of Aarhus  
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Shen Hou, Renmin University, Beijing  
Simo Laakkonen, University of Turku, Finland  
Steven Hartman, KTH & Uppsala University  
Susanna Lidström, KTH Royal Institute of Technology  
Werner Bigell, Finnmark University College

**SUNDAY, MAY 8**

**SESSION 1  
INTRODUCTION**

**Meeting Room, Plaza Hotel 18:00 – 19:00**

Professor David E. Nye, University of Southern Denmark  
Brief Introduction: What is Anti Landscape?  
Professor Donald Worster, University of Kansas  
Keynote Address

**Dinner 19:30**

## MONDAY, MAY 9

### SESSION 2

Room 99, SDU

#### CREATING ANTI-LANSCAPES 9:00 – 10:15 & 10:45 – 12:00

**Chair David E. Nye**, University of Southern Denmark

Maurits W. Ertsen, Delft University of Technology

The Delicate Balance between Landscape and Anti-landscape in Irrigation

Simo Laakkonen, University of Turku, Finland

Environmental history of urban water pollution in the Baltic Sea Region at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries

#### Coffee 10:15-10:45

**Chair Sarah Elkind**, San Diego State & SDU

Constantin Canavas, Hamburg University

Vulnerability of Complementary Landscapes: Reflections on Bhopal before and after the 1984 Disaster

James Fleming, Colby College, Maine

Sky-scapes and Air Pollution

#### Lunch: Campus 12:00 – 13:00

### SESSION 3

Room 99, SDU

#### AESTHETIC CONSIDERATIONS OF THE ANTI-LANDSCAPE FROM MODERNISM TO THE APOCALYPTIC 13:00 – 15:00 & 15:30 – 16:45

**Chair Susanna Lidström**, KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Werner Bigell, Finnmark University College

The Aesthetic Appeal of the Anti-landscape

Anne Flügge, University of Munich

Modernism and the Creation of Anti-landscapes

Hannes Bergthaller, National Chung-Hsing University, Taiwan,

Anaesthetic Landscapes: On John Ganis' *Consuming the American Landscape* and the Obsolescence of Traditional Landscape Aesthetics

#### Coffee 15:00 – 15:30

**Chair Steven Hartman**, KTH Royal Institute of Technology & Uppsala University

Peter Mortensen, University of Aarhus

Fighting Your Way Back to Nature: Apocalyptic Lifestyle Conflict in 1970s Eco-Science Fiction

Øyunn Hestetun, University of Bergen

A Landscape of Fear: Cormac McCarthy's *The Road*

## TUESDAY, MAY 10

### SESSION 4

Room 99, SDU

#### RECLAIMED SPACES, FORGOTTEN PLACES 9:00 – 10:15 & 10:45 – 12:00

**Chair Shen Hou**, Renmin University, Beijing

Mark Luccarelli, University of Oslo

From Feral Wilderness to Anti-landscape

Maunu Häyrynen, University of Turku

Lost Landscapes: The Afterlife of Degraded Scenic Places

#### Coffee 10:15 – 10:45

**Chair Henrik Otterberg**, Gothenburg University

Anna Storm, Södertörn University

The Heritage of Industrial Pollution

Brian Rosa, University of Manchester

The Geography of Reclaimed Spaces

#### Lunch: Campus 12:00 – 13:00

#### GROUP MEETINGS 13:00 – 14:00

Locations TBA

To discuss how papers might be linked to one another

#### Coffee 14:00 – 14:30

### SESSION 5

Room 99, SDU

#### Roundtable discussion: Beyond Theorizing the Anti-Landscape 14:30 – 15.30

Greg Garrard, Bath-Spa University

Sarah Elkind, San Diego State & SDU

Steven Hartman, KTH Royal Institute of Technology & Uppsala University

Henrik Otterberg, Gothenburg University

#### Publication plans & author guidelines 15:30 –

David E. Nye, University of Southern Denmark

Mark Luccarelli, University of Oslo

Steven Hartman, KTH Royal Institute of Technology & Uppsala University