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Steering Committee Meeting

A Steering Committee meeting was held on 16 March 2023.

- Future Earth funding initiatives were briefed in the meeting, among which funding for “Cross-cutting Initiatives” was discussed to explore how best the KAN can maximize the opportunity. Which GRN(s) to collaborate with and how, and who in the KAN will lead the process, etc. are to be discussed further. WGs interested in this grant are encouraged to coordinate with the Steering Committee co-chairs.
- Maurie Cohen and Charlotte Jensen from the Management Team and Steering Committee will participate in the Future Earth Assembly Meeting to be held in June in Panama/online to represent the KAN. The Assembly will set strategic directions for Future Earth, especially cross cutting initiatives.

**Value Retention Exchange Network-of-Networks:
Workshop at SCORAI-ERSCP-WUR Conference 2023**



The Value-Retention Exchange Network-of-Networks [VR(Ex)Change] is a recently launched international collaborative that aims to connect existing networks of SCP researchers and practitioners, to mobilize expertise and knowledge of SCP across academically diverse fields, and to facilitate the exchange of resources, tools, and best practices via connective platforms to best support ECRs. Please check out their [YouTube overview](#). They will be hosting engagement workshops at the **SRI 2023 conference in Panama City (July 27 at 13:30pm)**, and at the **SCORAI-ERSCP-WUR conference** – Transforming Consumption-Production Systems Toward Just and Sustainable Futures – being hosted at Wageningen University from **July 5 – 8, 2023**. They are holding introductory webinars to introduce workshop objectives, methods and activities, and ongoing opportunities for engagement. Sign up for one of these webinars: [Tuesday May 02 at 3:00pm CEST \(9:00am EST\)](#) or [Thursday May 11 at 4:00pm CEST \(10:00am EST\)](#). Feel free to reach out at any time to vrexchange@vt.edu for more information!

EVENTS

Webinar “Recycling Class: The Contradictions of Inclusion in Urban Sustainability”

27 April, 2023 at 6pm CET

Online: <https://unige.zoom.us/j/61199582542>



SSCP KAN WEBINAR
APRIL 27, 2023 6 PM CET

Recycling Class: The Contradictions of Inclusion in Urban Sustainability

Manisha Anantharaman

University of Geneva and
the Social Change Working Group of KAN SSCP

<https://unige.zoom.us/j/61199582542>



The Social Change Beyond Consumerism Working Group is organizing a presentation by Professor Manisha Anantharaman on **27 April, 2023 at 6pm CET**. Associate Professor of Justice, Community and Leadership at Saint Mary's College of California, Professor Anantharaman's much-awaited book details the ideas, flows and relationships around waste in Bengaluru, India. Recycling Class argues that achieving a just and ecologically safe city requires resisting the growth imperative, and reconstructing an urban commons. For more information, visit the SSCP KAN [website](#).

Relevant paper: [Recycling Class: The Contradictions of Inclusion in Urban Sustainability](#).

2023 Conference on Sustainable Consumption and Production (#SCP23)

A joint 5th SCORAI, 21st ERSCP, and Wageningen University Conference

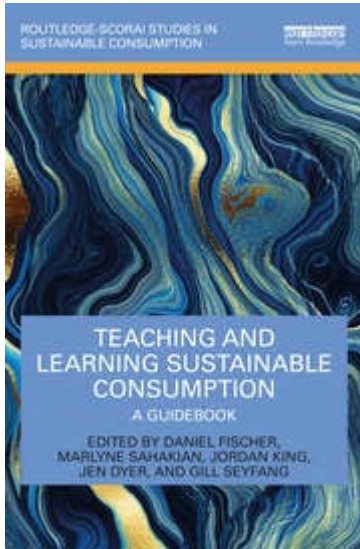
#SCP23 will gather researchers, practitioners, and policy-makers working in sustainable consumption and production in Wageningen (The Netherlands) between **July 5 to 8, 2023** for an international conference on the theme of *Transforming consumption-production systems toward just and sustainable futures*. Click [here](#) to register.

9th International Degrowth Conference in Zagreb

A conference that may be of interest to KAN members will be held in Zagreb, Croatia, from 29 August to 2 September 2023 on the theme 'People, Planet, Care: it spells degrowth!'. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

UPDATES FROM WORKING GROUPS

Communications WG (WG CoCo)



Teaching and Learning Sustainable Consumption - A Guidebook

This is an outcome of a major book project that many KAN members contributed to and that Marlyne Sahakian and Daniel Fischer as KAN core members co-edited (together with 3 other colleagues). The guidebook “[Teaching and Learning Sustainable Consumption](#)” will be published by Routledge on 8 May 2023. It contains introductory background chapters on basics of teaching and learning sustainable consumption, as well as more than 50 innovative teaching examples from around the world.

Other initiatives on ‘Actions’ for SCP Communications

-Youth empowerment, storytelling and Sustainable Consumption

The Erasmus+ Clim@venture Project develops a virtual Storytelling and Exchange program for highschool students. The Goal is to explore their surroundings with green glasses and share stories of Sustainable Consumption and Production with Peers across Europe.

-Green Careers as Intrapreneurs

Building on insights from our WG CoCo, **Visions in Action** offers Workshops for Young People and early Career professionals on how to differentiate between strong and weak sustainability approaches in the Job market and find the perfect match to employ their values for real impact in existing organisations and companies.

Find out more about the SSCP KAN WG CoCo [HERE](#).

Circular Economy WG

The Circular Economy WG has been actively engaging in several new initiatives including the following:

- Biodiversity and the circular economy – this 9-month project team collaborated on a proposal for a Professional Development Workshop at the Academy of Management in August 2023 and have contributed to a special issue of Amplify to be published in April/May.
- Global CE Roadmap is in development, which will bring together collaborators in Helsinki in May 2023

Find out more about the SSCP KAN CE WG [HERE](#).

RECAP

SSCP KAN Online Conference 2022



Systems of Sustainable
Consumption and Production
futurearth SSCP 2022

The [SSCP KAN Conference 2022](#) was held successfully from November 8-17, 2022, attracting over 200 registered participants. The 10-day conference included a keynote address and nine diverse sessions, ranging from diversification of circular economy research, education and communication for SCP, consumerism and systems change, and a zero waste transition, to contribute to multifaceted discussions on the conference theme, "Transitioning to Systems of Sustainable Consumption and Production". You can find the full Conference program and abstracts [HERE](#).

OPPORTUNITIES

Edward Elgar Book Project



A "Handbook on Sustainable Lifestyles" to be published by Edward Elgar is currently under development, is currently under development, led by an editorial team composed

of KAN members Maurie Cohen, Magnus Bengtsson, Charlotte Jensen, Sylvia Lorek, Steven McGreevy, and Ria Lambino. The handbook will capture state-of-the-art research on the diverse and multifaceted topic of sustainable lifestyles. The aim is to invite KAN members and other experts in the field to engage in a discussion around relevant themes and write chapters for the handbook. Stay tuned for further updates.

Call for papers

Amplify: Financing Sustainable Circular Investments

Abstract Deadline: 30 June 2023

In this issue, guest editors Prof Paul Dewick and Prof Joseph Sarkis, co-chairs of the SSCP KAN Circular Economy Working Group, invite articles exploring how businesses and public organizations can manage investment in circular economy and sustainability challenges — with preference given to circular economy practices. More information [HERE](#).

Special Issue in Global Sustainability: Next Decade of Sustainability Research and Innovation

Deadline: 30 April 2023

This special issue presents cutting-edge findings in the field of sustainability and charts the course for the next decade of Future Earth research and innovation. For more information visit [HERE](#).

Call for Proposals: Pathways Communication Grants 2023

Closes: 15 June 2023

This [grant program](#) is organized by Future Earth's Science-based Pathways for Sustainability Initiative. It aims to promote the dissemination of scientific findings of place-based research projects via innovative formats and practices. Click [HERE](#) for more details.

Apply Now to Autumn School 2023 in France

16-20 October 2023 – Aussois, Savoie, France

Closes: 31 May 2023

Applications are now being accepted for the [Autumn School 2023](#), an initiative of Future Earth's France Hub for early career researchers in Europe. The Autumn School will allow the participants to share and reflect on the various ways science communities in Europe frame sustainability science and transform their practices to better address sustainability challenges and make a greater contribution to societal transformations. Accommodation, meals and teaching costs are fully covered by the organizers.

Recent Publications from SSCP KAN

Circular Economy WG

- [Futures of Fixing: Exploring the life of product users in circular economy repair society scenarios](#). International Institute for Industrial Environmental Economics, Lund University. Svensson-Höglund, S., Thorslund, M. L., Richter, J. L., Olsson, A. R., Jensen, C. L., Quist, J., Russell, J., & Dalhammar, C.

- [Justice, equity, and the circular economy: introduction to the special double issue](#). Local Environment. Ashton, W S., Fratini, C F., Isenhour, C & Krueger, R

- 4 new blogs for the FE and KAN websites:

- [Circular Economy Practices Will Not Automatically Phase Out the Linear Economy](#)
- [Circular Economy and the Clean Energy Transition](#)
- [Harmonious or Harmful? The Circular Economy and Biodiversity](#)

WG CoCo

- [Teaching and Learning Sustainable Consumption A Guidebook](#). Edited By Fischer, D., Sahakian M., King, J., Dyer, j., & Seyfang, G

Social Change WG

- [How social practices inform the future as method: Describing personas in an energy transition while engaging with teleoaffectivities](#). Futures. Sahakian, M., Moynat, O., Senn, W., & Moreau, V

About News Xchange

This news Xchange will be regularly published in order to share information about the WG and KAN initiatives. We hope that this can facilitate interaction and synergy among Working Groups and stimulate the activities of the KAN as a whole. The perspectives of each Working Group and their past accomplishments can be found on their respective web pages and events and other info continue to be in the SSCP KAN website.



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