

New Materialisms on the Crossroads of the Natural and Human Sciences COST WG2 meeting and workshop at the Rachel Carson Center, LMU Munich

Date: 14–15. September 2017

Venue: Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, LMU Munich

WG2 Participants

Dagmar Lorenz-Meyer, Veit Braun, Josef Barla, Peta Hinton, Waltraud Ernst, Gabriella Jarzębowska, Sari Irni, Liv Hausken, Natasha Mauthner, Bettina Papenburg, Sigrid Schmitz, Pat Treusch, Devyn Remme, Marianna Szczygielska, Agnes Kovacs, Max Metzger, Trine Krigsvoll Haagenen, Petra Beck, Claude Draude, Jirina Smejkalova, Liu Xin, Karolina Kazimierczak

Local Organiser: Veit Braun

Schedule

Wednesday 13.9

Get together for early arrivals:

19.00 Gratitude Eatery @ Türkenstraße 55, 80799 München (<http://www.gratitude-restaurant.de>)

Thursday 14.9.2017

Workshop “New Materialisms on the Crossroads of the Natural and Human Sciences”

- 09:30 – 09:45 Welcoming words (WG2 chairs and RCC)
- 09:45 – 11:15 Workshop paper presentations and responses
Panel 1: New Materialisms, Ecologies, and the Anthropocene
Chair: Sari Irni
- Simone Mueller (RCC)
“Hazardous Waste”
- Devyn Remme
“Becoming Sustainable: Securitization and the Myth of Salvation Through Technological Innovation”
- Liu Xin, Pat Treusch, Dagmar Lorenz-Meyer
“Feminist Technoecologies”
- 11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break
- 11:45 – 13:15 Workshop paper presentations and responses *Panel 2: Nature and Environment*
Chair: Josef Barla
- Saskia Brill (RCC)
“CO₂nnnections”
- Gabriela Jarzębowska
“Material-discursive discourses of urban rat control”

Agnes Kovac
“Dialectical Materialism and Feminist New Materialisms as Philosophies of Nature”

13:15 – 14:30 Lunch at RCC

14:30 – 16:30 Workshop “Embodying computational thinking”
Claude Draude

An interactive practice oriented workshop with the aim to introduce participants to computational thinking without the usage of an electronic computer

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 18:30 Workshop paper presentations and responses
Panel 3: New Materialisms and Methodologies
Chair: Karolina Kazimierczak

Marianna Szczygielska and Sigrid Schmitz
“Decolonizing Materialism”

Natasha Mauthner
“When Methods Don't Apply: New Materialist Challenges to Methodology”

Liv Hausken, Sigrid Schmitz, and Bettina Papenburg
“Processes of Imaging / Imaging of Processes”

Jiřina Šmejkalová
“Impulses of New Materialism in Researching Cold War Command Culture”

19:00 WG2/RCC Dinner @ Lebanese restaurant “Arabesk” (www.arabesk.de),
Kaulbachstraße 86

Friday 15.9.2017

09:30 – 11:00 Roundtable discussion
European New Materialisms: Trajectories, Inspirations & Stirrings

Participants: Sigrid Schmitz, Waltraud Ernst, Veit Braun, Dagmar Lorenz-Meyer, Claude Draude, Pat Treusch, Josef Barla

Moderation: Peta Hinton

The discussion will be tape recorded as a basis for a multi-voiced paper for the COST European Materialism volume.

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Discussion: Methodologies volume and European Materialisms volume
Chair: Natasha Mauthner, Dagmar Lorenz-Meyer
Includes (i) feedback on abstracts and proposals; decision of editors, publisher, book prospectus, circulation of open call; (ii) the decision of 2 key texts for the European NMs volume that reflect the work of WG2; take up of position papers; procedure to continue from round table towards multi-voiced text.

- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch at RCC
- 14:00 – 15:30 Discussion: Post-COST projects and platforms
Chairs: Liu Xin (TBC), Peta Hinton, Sigrid Schmitz (TBC)
NM Methodologies as future Research Project;
Experiences with Horizon 2020 projects and applications;
Possible time lines for applications; themes, interested group members.
Wrap-up and closing
- 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00 – 18:00 Creative Writing Workshop
Jessica Lee (RCC)
Author and scholar Jessica J. Lee will guide the group through a series of exercises to consider how scholarly work can be transformed into emotive, narrative-driven writing. Taking water and rock as our subjects, we'll discuss examples of good storytelling from both academic sources and the New Nature Writing, and work to begin short creative pieces that enliven our academic work for a broader readership. (*max. 15 participants*)

For everyone who will not be able to participate in Jessica's workshop, Veit Braun will offer a walk to the English Garden:

Walking, Talking, Mushrooms: NatureCulture Walk in the English Garden
Veit Braun

In hope of encountering mushrooms, amateur mycologist Veit Braun will lead the group to the English Garden, just across the street from the RCC. Through the art of mushroom picking (or its failure), the participants will discuss the political and apolitical economies of fungi.
- 19:00 Dinner @ Vietnamese Restaurant The Pham's, Nordendstraße 42 (www.the-phams.de)
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Directions

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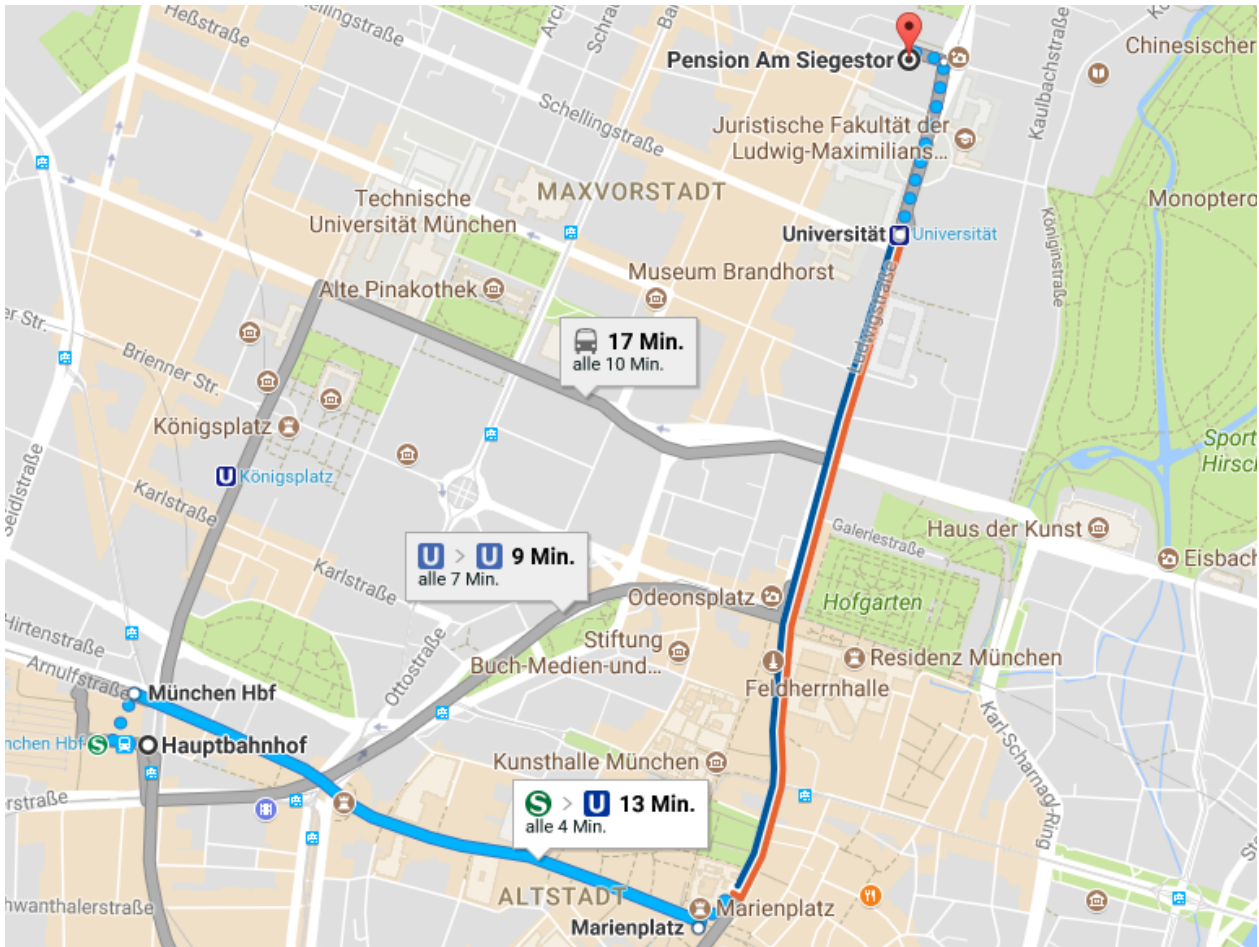
Rachel Carson Center, Leopoldstraße 11A, 80802 München

Hotel addresses:

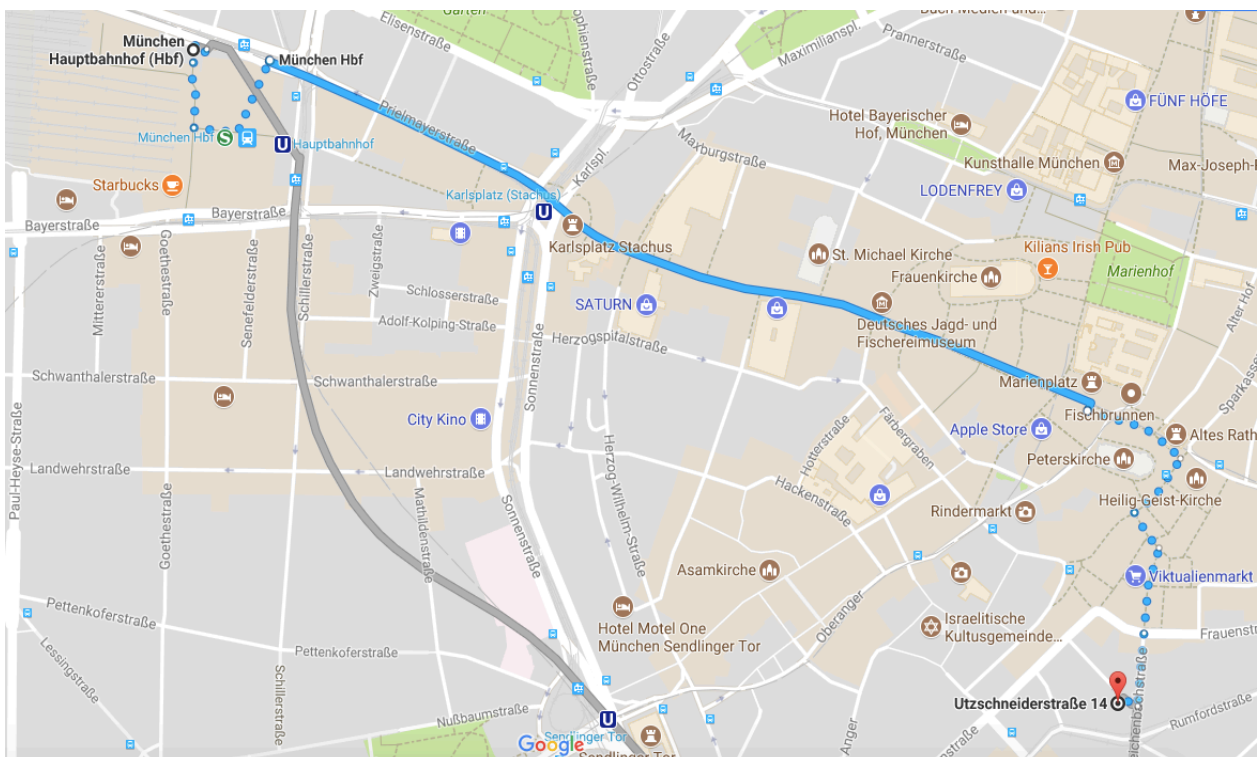
Hotel Pension am Siegestor, Akademiestraße 5, 80799 München (Tel. +49 89 39 95 50)

Hotel am Viktualienmarkt, Utschneiderstraße 14, 80469 München, (Tel. +49 89 23 11 09-0)

Transfer main station – Hotel Siegestor



Transfer main station – Hotel am Viktualienmarkt



Transfer Airport – Hotel Siegestor

Abfahrt ab 08:00 **Do., 14. Sep.**

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Abfahrtszeit	Reisezeit	Linien
08:04 (Donnerstag) bis 08:53	49 Min.	S8 > U6
08:11 (Donnerstag) bis 09:10	59 Min.	S1 > U3
08:12 (Donnerstag) bis 09:02	50 Min.	S1 > U2 > U3
08:24 (Donnerstag) bis 09:13	49 Min.	S8 > U6

Map Callouts:
 - Neufahrn bei Freising: S > U 49 Min.
 - Moosinning: S > U 49 Min.
 - Marienplatz: S > U > U 50 Min.

Transfer Airport – Hotel am Viktualienmarkt

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08:11 (Donnerstag) bis 09:05	54 Min.	S1 > Fußweg
08:24 (Donnerstag) bis 09:07	43 Min.	S8 > Fußweg
08:18 (Donnerstag) bis 09:26	1 Std. 8 Min.	635 > LH-Bus > U6 > Fußweg

Map Callouts: 43 Min. (near Speichersee), 54 Min. (near Unterschleißheim), 43 Min. (near Trudering-Riem)