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**Call for Tandem Presentations
for the Young Scholars Forum**

**Repressed Pasts, Crossed Borders, Just Futures: Environmental,
Social, and Political Perspectives
8–10 July 2026**

This forum invites scholars who have recently earned their doctoral degree (up to 4 years ago) to form tandem presentations that challenge the borders dividing worlds. How can we understand and counter past and present discourses and movements seeking to reify borders fueling oppression and hate (e.g., between regions and peoples, human and more-than-human actors) in an effort to build more just futures?

We are hoping for a diverse mix of young scholars from different parts of the world who will present their work and ideas in short tandem presentations to an international audience. Each tandem should bring together a scholar from the humanities with a person who works in the social sciences, natural sciences, or in an environmental practice (e.g., in environmental education, environmental politics, museums or NGOs with an environmental focus).

The Young Scholars Forum will be part of an event titled “Environmental Pasts and Futures.” Successful tandems will be invited to Tutzing Castle/ Ev. Akademie Tutzing (south of Munich) from 8–10 July 2026. Travel, food and board will be paid for by the Rachel Carson Center and its project “[Strengthening the Environmental Humanities](#),” which is funded by the Volkswagen Foundation through its “Hochschule der Zukunft / University of the Future” funding line.

To apply, please submit a 400-word description of the tandem presentation including two-page CVs for each tandem partner to conferences@rcc.lmu.de by **1 October 2025**.