



Marine Social Science Network Newsletter October 2020

Welcome to October's MarSocSci Newsletter!

Another month, another busy few weeks for Team MarSocSci! This month's newsletter has everything you would expect to see - new publications, PhD, research and job opportunities, as well as a chance to sign up to the new Adaptive Capacity Thematic Group for MarSocSci. The MarSocSci Family is growing :) You can also plan to join in with the MarSocSci Bookclub over the next few months as we've announced our ocean reads until January - so whether you're inching towards winter and cosy reads, or planning your summer reading list, you've got plenty of time to join in! 2020 continues to be a challenging year, so please remember to let us know if you have ideas of any ways we can support #TeamMarSocSci.

If you want to contribute to the next newsletter, have anything you would like us to promote, or if you have any suggestions as to how we can further support the MarSocSci community, contact us on comms@marsocsci.net or through @MarSocSci on Twitter and Instagram. Remember to tag us and use the

#MarSocSci and #TeamMarSocSci hashtags!



The [Marine Alliance for Science and Technology for Scotland](#) recently initiated a behavioural change initiative called [People Ocean Planet](#) (POP) to develop a framework, projects and partnerships for a step-change in real-world impact through a coupling of marine and social sciences. Read more and find contact information at www.peopleoceanplanet.com and join them on twitter [@OceanBehaviours](#).

POP are interested in partnering on submissions to funding calls including the current EU Green Deal, for which they can leverage MASTS connectivity with the majority of Scotland's marine science capacity.



MarSocSci's Webinar Series

Creativity in knowledge co-production for Ocean Governance, the story of Empatheatre

Dr. Dylan McGarry, Dr. Kira Erwin and Anna James

13 November 2020

One of the innovative undertakings of the GCRF One Ocean Hub (OOH) project is to use arts-based and creative approaches in integrated ways throughout the life of the project, to help achieve its transdisciplinary, transformative goals which include the bringing together of different forms of

transformative goals, which include the bringing together of different forms of knowledge related to ocean governance, and enhancing the participation of marginalised communities in ocean decision making.

One way in which we are approaching this is using our Empatheatre methodology we have developed over the past seven years. The Empatheatre team have recently created an immersive and interactive participatory theatre experience entitled “Lalela Ulwandle” or ‘Listen to the Sea’ as one example of the potential role that creative methodology can play in achieving these goals.

Due to a troubling discourse of creativity being associated with a particular kind of form or genre or “person type” (‘She is so creative’; ‘I’m not a creative person’), we found it is important to avoid these dichotomies in creative approaches to participative research. We were aware of how the notion of creative practice in research can create a binary between creative research and non-creative research. This would in turn set up the possibility for normative valuations where creative = good and non-creative = bad.

We have come to realise that there are practices which would be classed as creative that are uncritical of power relations and can be disempowering for those participating, and we all have experience of non-arts-based research practices being very useful for engaged, public and participatory research that is oriented towards social, ecological and cognitive justice.

This has led our team toward the notion of “creativity” in research to understand creativity as a “something” [a kind of element of responsiveness] or a set of competencies, that can contribute to doing engaged research. This also reminded us that perhaps the root concern of our work is not creative practice but it was a practice of knowledge co-production that can be in greatest service to enabling change (with the definition of that change being co-determined in the knowledge production process).

We will share some of these insights, along with some tangible examples of our work in the webinar.

Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/y2q3k3xz>

We will be recording all of our webinars and making them available on the MarSocSci

[YouTube Channel.](#)

If you would like to put forward a topic for a future webinar, send us an email at info@marsocsci.net



Game Changer

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noun

A person or thing that significantly affects the outcome of something. (Collins)



Feel like 2020 has zapped your motivation to tackle the climate and nature crises? Are you looking to re-ignite it?

This original event is specifically designed to inspire professionals, students and those working for nature and climate with fresh ideas to drive change.

With speakers to inspire new ways of thinking and doing, and activities to catalyse your own ideas and action.

Includes exclusive networking space to mingle and share.

Confirmed speakers include:

Sally Uren – CEO Forum for the Future

Judy Ling Wong, CBE – Honorary President Black Environment Network

Chris Sherwin – Director of Reboot Innovation

Tom Oliver – Professor of Ecology at Reading, Senior Fellow of Defra Systems Research Programme

Diana Pound CEnv - Director of Dialogue Matters

And more...

You can find the full event agenda and ticket prices on the Dialogue Matters website: <https://dialoguematters.co.uk/events/>

MarSocSci Opportunities Jobs, Research, Tenders.....and more..

Jobs

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: **HEO Policy Advisor, Vulnerable Marine Species Team**. Application deadline 8 November 2020. [More info here](#)

PhDs

Charles Darwin International PhD Scholars (CDIPS): **Women's empowerment in small-scale fisheries and aquaculture value chains**. Deadline for Expression of Interest - 2 November 2020. [More info here](#)

Lancaster University, Graduate School for the Environment: **Fishy Food - The Power and Politics of Food Systems**. Application deadline - 23 November 2020. [More info here](#)

Post Docs, Research Positions and Funding

Nippon Foundation Ocean Nexus Center: Postdoctoral Fellow - **Ocean Equity and Blue Economy Analogues**. Application deadline 20 November 2020. [More info here](#)





ccat

*coastal communities
adapting together*

Coastal Communities Adapting Together (CCAT): Exchanging Knowledge and Best Practice across borders
Online Conference
November 17th-19th 2020

For more information and registration:

<https://www.ccatproject.eu/event/coastal-communities-adapting-together-exchanging-knowledge-and-best-practice-across-borders/>

For coastal regions, coastal management and climate change adaptation policies will be central to their adaptation to climate change and to developing resilient and sustainable coastal communities. The Irish Sea and its coastal communities are directly impacted by climate change. Through CCAT, we are working to support coastal communities in Pembrokeshire (Wales) and Fingal (Dublin) to understand the impact of climate change on local communities. Crucially, approaches to coastal management and climate change vary, with different nations adopting a range of approaches to the challenges of climate change and coastal management.

We invite you to participate in our online event which bring together a diverse range of practitioners and academics, with expertise in policy making, coastal management, climate change adaptation, community engagement and more! The event will be an opportunity to learn from what others are doing, and to build on existing best practice for both coastal management and climate change adaptation and mitigation.

The event will be run over three days:

- November 17th: National Policy for coastal management and climate change

adaptation and mitigation.

- November 18th: Local Authority responses to coastal management and climate change
- November 19th: Community engagement on coastal change and climate adaptation and mitigation

Update from the MarSocSci Book Club!

Who's reading along with the #MarSocSciBookClub? Let us know how you're finding the books on Twitter (tag @marsocsci) and/or join us at the end of each month for a chat on Zoom!

Here's what we have lined up for the next few months...

MARSOCSCI BOOK CLUB
NEW PICKS!

OCTOBER
THE SOUND OF WAVES
YUKIO MISHIMA

NOVEMBER
A FISH CAUGHT IN TIME
SAMANTHA WEINBERG

DECEMBER
THE SHIPPING NEWS
ANNIE PROULX

JANUARY



To join the monthly chat, [email info@marsocsci.net](mailto:info@marsocsci.net) beforehand to be sent the joining details and access code.

If you're not able to make this due to your timezone, please drop us an email at info@marsocsci.net to let us know where you are and we'll try to move the time for next month to accommodate more people.

Adaptive Capacity Thematic Group for MarSocSci

Since August, the Adaptive Capacity group has been working hard! We are beginning a bibliography of adaptive capacity literature that will be made available to everyone. In early December, we hope to begin a journal club where we can discuss adaptive capacity with guest speakers and begin to network. We have a working set of questions that we hope to discuss within the group. These questions pertain to: what “adaptation” is in different contexts, the intersections of individual and large scale adaptive response, isolating or responding cumulatively to threats, how the scale at which we define adaptive capacity matters, and identifying a shared goal to center our study of adaptive capacity. We welcome your ideas as well and hope to eventually build consensus or develop further questions around these initial thoughts. We hope you find interest in these subjects and want to join our group!

If you are interested in the Adaptive Capacity Thematic Group, please fill out this short survey:

<https://forms.gle/DWZ3tVnn1mvHs1HG6>

We promise we will not use this information for anything other than to keep you informed about our activities, and to get a better sense of where folks are, and how they currently use (or intend to use) the concept of Adaptive Capacity.

If you want to contact us about the group, you can email us on adaptivecapacity@marsocsci.net

Upcoming MarSocSci conferences

Coastal Transitions. November 4th-8th 2020. Registration and more information:
<http://www.coastaltransitions.org/>

Coastal Futures/ REACH. Save the Date – January 19th-21st 2021. Theme: Ocean Recovery. More information coming November 2020. Email bob.earll@coastms.co.uk with suggestions about the conference.

Estuaries and Coastal Seas in the Anthropocene. September 2021. Abstract submission deadline - April 2021. More information here:
<http://www.estuarinecoastalconference.com/>

A promotional graphic for the MarSocSci blog. It has a dark blue background on the left and a light blue background on the right. The text 'MARSOCSCI BLOG' is written in white, hand-drawn style letters. Below it, 'OPEN FOR CONTRIBUTIONS!' is written in white, sans-serif letters. On the right side, three types of blog posts are listed: 'My Research' with a lightbulb icon, 'Horizon Scan' with a magnifying glass over a computer screen icon, and 'Community Action' with a group of stylized human figures icon. At the bottom, the text 'Open to suggestions and new ideas! Send your ideas or questions to: comms@marsocsci.net' is written in white. The MarSocSci logo is in the bottom right corner.

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Would you like an opportunity to introduce new readers to your work and build up your profile?

**We're looking for guest bloggers for the brand new MarSocSci blog.
Share your research or opinion and reach out to the whole MarSocSci community.**

Interested? Please send 600-800 words plus a 100-word biography to info@marsocsci.net. Include 2 or 3 in-text photos plus an author photo to accompany the biography – and don't forget to provide photo credits.

Your blog post will feature on the MarSocSci website, be included in our newsletter and be promoted on our Twitter feed. Content written for the MarSocSci blog should be original and not published elsewhere.

We're looking forward to reading and sharing them!

MarSocSci in press - recent and interesting publications from across the community!

Bowie, M.J. et al. (2020). Co-designing behavior change interventions to conserve biodiversity. *Conservation Science and Practice*. [Link](#)

Collins, C. et al. (2020). Using perceptions to examine human responses to blanket bans: The case of the thresher shark landing-ban in Sri Lanka. *Marine Policy*. [Link](#)

Dean, A.J., Gulliver, R.E., Wilson, K.A. (2020). "Taking action for the Reef?"—Australians do not connect Reef conservation with individual climate-related actions. *Conservation Letters*. [Link](#)

Dunn, M.E., Mills, M., and Verissimo, D. (2020). Evaluating the impact of the documentary series *Blue Planet II* on viewers' plastic consumption behaviors. *Conservation Science and Practice*. [Link](#)

Grantham, R., Lau, J., and Kleiber, D. (2020) Gleaning: beyond the subsistence narrative. *Maritime Studies*. [Link](#)

Mackay, M. et al. (2020). Me and My Behavior: An Experiment on Individual

Mackey, M. et al. (2020). Me and My Behavior: An Experiment on Individual Characteristics and Compliance Behavior in Recreational Fishing. *Frontiers in Marine Science*. [Link](#)

Moore, A. (2020). Many Oceans to Cross: Making Black (Women's) Lives Matter in Marine Affairs. *Anthropocene Anthropology*. [Link](#)

Muhl, E.K. and Sowman, M. (2020). Rights, Resources, Rezoning and the Challenges of Governance in South Africa's Oldest Marine Protected Area. *Conservation and Society*. [Link](#)

Okafor-Yarwood, I. and Adewumi, I.J. (2020) Toxic waste dumping in the Global South as a form of environmental racism: Evidence from the Gulf of Guinea, *African Studies*. [Link](#)

Partelow, S. (2020). Social capital and community disaster resilience: post-earthquake tourism recovery on Gili Trawangan, Indonesia. *Sustainability Science*. [Link](#)

Pafi, M. et al. (2020). Coastal tourism, market segmentation and contested landscapes. *Marine Policy*. [Link](#)

Schlüter, A. et al. (2020). Broadening the perspective on ocean privatizations: an interdisciplinary social science enquiry. *Ecology and Society*. [Link](#)

Stoll, J. et al. (2020). Alternative seafood networks during COVID-19: Implications for resilience and sustainability. [Link](#)

van Hoof, L., Smith, S.S., and Kraan, M. (2020). Change as a permanent condition: A history of transition processes in Dutch North Sea fisheries. *Marine Policy*. [Link](#)

Useful websites and other links



HIGH LEVEL PANEL *for*
**A SUSTAINABLE
OCEAN ECONOMY**

Catch up on the Financing for a Sustainable Ocean Economy: High Level

Dialogue by [registering here](#) to access the recording. This event connected special guest speakers from around the world to discuss the importance of ocean finance and investment into a sustainable ocean economy to set us on the path to economic recovery in a post COVID-19 world.



PERICLES project is an EU-funded research and innovation project running until 2021. The project promotes sustainable, participatory governance of cultural heritage in European coastal and maritime regions. The overall aim of the project is to develop and demonstrate a comprehensive framework. **Catch up on all the webinars from the PERICLES project [here](#)**



We're recording #TeamMarSocSci webinars and seminars and sharing them via our YouTube channel.

Catch up on anything you've missed [here](#) and share with friends and colleagues!

Get in touch!

If you have a publication, event or job advert that you would like to promote, or an idea for a blog post, drop us an email at comms@marsocsci.net!

Please send anything you would like us to consider for the next newsletter.

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