

DEGROWTH CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Conference on Economic Degrowth for Ecological Sustainability and Social Equity Paris, 18-19 April 2008

Goals

- Overview of the state-of-the-art of degrowth research, debates and movements
- Encouraging degrowth research and identifying degrowth research gaps
- Exploration of campaign tools for equity and sustainability
- Position/Statement on Growth and degrowth

Formats

- Workshops in rooms “Stockholm”, “Athens”, “Copenhagen”, “Berlin” and “Oslo” at the FIAP Paris
- Presentation in assembly in room “Oslo” and “Berlin”
- Posters
- Informal meetings in Cafés « décroissance »
- Proceedings
- Internet discussion on www.degrowth.net

DRAFT PROGRAM OF THE DEGROWTH CONFERENCE

Day 0 Thursday 17 April 2008

19h Small evening Buffet at FIAP

Day 1 Friday 18 April 2008

Visions of degrowth by themes –

The first day is about a partial/sector-based visionary perspective of degrowth

8h30 : Opening of the doors

9h Start of the conference

By Organisation and Scientific Committee

Fabrice Flipo – Institut Telecom

Joan Martinez-Alier - UAB

Wolfgang Sachs – Wuppertal Institute

Sylvia Lorek & Friedrich Hinterberger - SERI

Thomas Schauer/ Raoul Weiler - Club of Rome

François Schneider & Denis Bayon - Research and Degrowth

Representative of the south

9h30- First Panels

Backgrounds – <i>Room Berlin</i>	Historic panel: From growth critics to degrowth <i>Room Oslo</i>
Chair: Friedrich Hinterberger Keynote of the chair person <i>De-growth as a solution to 'uneconomic' growth</i> <i>Philip Lawn</i>	Chair : Joan Martinez-Alier Keynote of the chair person Introduction to Georgescu-Roegen and Degrowth <i>Jacques Grinevald</i>

Macro-Rebound effect <i>François Schneider</i>	eSNI early growth critics <i>Roefie Hueting</i>
Myths of immaterial growth <i>Jean Gadrey</i>	Degrowth thinkers <i>Fabrice Flipo</i>
Crises with growth-as-usual <i>Richard Douthwaite & David Korowicz</i>	Nascent History of Steady State Politics <i>Brian Czech</i>
De-growth or recession? <i>David O'Neill</i>	To shortcut a third rail issue <i>Christer Sanne</i>

10h45 – 11h15 Pause- Café “décroissance”

11:15 - Special applications (10 minutes each with questions)

Special applications I – Room Berlin	Special applications II – Room Oslo
Chair : Sylvia Lorek	Chair : Tim Jackson
<i>Urban Degrowth - Silvia Grünig</i>	From supermarkets to relocalised production and consumption - <i>Tommaso Venturini</i>
Waste degrowth - <i>Alexander Duran-i-Grant</i>	Demographic questions - <i>Joan Martinez-Alier</i>
Degrowth of living spaces per person: Co-housing - <i>Matthieu Lietaert</i>	Tourism degrowth - <i>Philippe Bourdeau & Libéra Berthelot</i>
Speed reduction - <i>Frédéric Heran</i>	Gold unsustainability - <i>Leire Urkidi Azkarraga</i>
ICT vs degrowth - <i>Robert Rattle</i>	Degrowth in Real estate - <i>Sònia Vives et al.</i>
Gastronomic sciences: Slow Food Revolution versus Gene Revolution <i>Bruno Scaltriti</i>	Degrowth of advertising industry <i>Dalma Domeneghini</i>
in reserve	<i>in reserve</i>
Cars, trucks and roads degrowth Randall Ghent	Degrowth of extractive equipment Degrowth of Haber-Bosch process Agro-industry degrowth

12h30 Lunch

**14h Second Panels session
(1 hour 15 minutes)**

Panel 1 – Room Oslo New indicators for economic activity/well-being/ecology	Panel 2 - Room Athènes Complementarity of Degrowth and Steady-State?	Panel 3 - Room Copenhagen Debound-effect	Panel 4 - Room Berlin Southern perspectives
<p>Chair: David Woodward</p> <p><i>Arnaud du Crest</i> Degrowth and indicators</p> <p><i>Anthony Friend</i> The System of Accounting for Global Entropy Productions, (SAGE-P): A second order logic method for constructing an 'integrated' System of Environmental and Economic</p> <p><i>Daniel Bergquist</i> Emergy: a currency for achieving sustainability and equity in times of descent?</p> <p><i>Brent Bley</i> A Simplified Index of Sustainable Economic Welfare for France</p>	<p>Chair: Christian Kerschner</p> <p><i>Brian Czech</i> De-growth toward an optimal steady state.</p> <p><i>Joachim Spangenberg</i> Growth and sustainable development</p> <p><i>Christian Kerschner</i> The Steady-State Economy & de-growth: Contradiction or compatibility?</p> <p><i>Tommaso Luzzatti</i> GDP growth: an inevitable lock-in?</p>	<p>Chair: <i>Alcott Blake</i></p> <p><i>Alcott Blake</i> IPAT and rebound effect</p> <p><i>Raoul Weiler</i> De-Growth for challenging Earth survival</p> <p><i>Willi Haas</i> Material efficient production systems without rebound effects: What about changing the economy's framework conditions?</p>	<p>Chair: Peter May</p> <p><i>Peter May</i> Is there a way out of the contradictions between growth and sustainability? Learning from the BRICS</p> <p><i>Vincent Moreau</i> Is the economy (de)materializing? A comparison of Germany, China and Spain.</p> <p><i>Mariana Walter</i> Communities rebelling against extractive activities. From concerns about cyanide to growth model issues. A gold mining conflict in Esquel, Argentina.</p> <p>Samuel Nguiffo Perspective from Africa</p> <p>Singh Supriya Perspective from India</p>

15h15 – 15h30 Preparation of Panel Reports (preparing the reports at the end of the day)

15h30 Roundtables (1 hour 15)

Civil Society / Academia Panel - Room Oslo	Socio-economic degrowth processes - Room Berlin
<p>Chair : Joan Martinez-Alier</p> <p>Leida Rijnhout, VODO Belgium Sara Vegni, ASUD Italy Elizabeth Bravo (tbc), AcEC Ecuador</p> <p>Paula Antunes, UNL, Portugal Gregor Meerganz, UAB, Spain Francois Schneider, R&D, France David Woodward, (formerly nef), UK</p> <p>Sara Kjellstrand , EC DG Res</p>	<p>Chair : Christer Sanne</p> <p>Economic localisation <i>Friedrich Hinterberger</i></p> <p>The issue of degrowth and SCP policy agenda <i>Arnold Tukker</i></p> <p>Production degrowth <i>Claudia Kaiser</i></p> <p>Sharing work <i>Christer Sanne</i></p> <p>Redistribution <i>Maurie Cohen</i></p>

16h45 Pause- Café “décroissance”

17h15 Third panel session (1 hour 15 min)

Panel 1 - Room Berlin Consumption degrowth vs other sources of well-being	Panel 2 - Room Copenhagen Sharing work and other work issues	Panel 3 -Room Athènes Production degrowth	Panel 4 – Room Stockholm Redistribution and localisation	Panel 5 - Room Oslo What statutes for economic actors?
<p>Chair: Sylvia Lorek</p> <p><i>Valeria Andreoni, Marco Duriavig</i> Italy: issues in dematerialization and environmental load displacement</p> <p><i>Nguyen et al</i> Sustainable Consumption: Collection of Perspectives from the institutional actors in Europe</p> <p><i>Eva Friman</i> From Eco-modernism to Socio-ecologism –</p>	<p>Chair: Miriam Kennet</p> <p><i>Baptiste Mylondo</i> Degrowth and universal revenue</p> <p><i>Manuel Couret Branco</i> A human rights based political economy</p> <p><i>Arnaud du Crest</i> Degrowth professional orientation</p> <p><i>Miriam Kennet</i> Formal and informal Economy, and the contribution of women</p>	<p>Chair: Oksana Mont</p> <p><i>Cucuzzella Carmela</i> The Contribution of Precaution for Design</p> <p><i>Julia Steinberger</i> Are absolute energy consumption reductions possible?</p> <p><i>Thomas Schauer</i> IT as Facilitator of Material Degrowth and the Problem of Rebound Effects</p> <p><i>Claudia Kaiser</i> Defining boundaries of sustainable resource-use</p>	<p>Chair : Maurie Cohen</p> <p><i>Lisa Magnani</i> Understanding the effect of demographic trends and labour market institutions on the demand for public environmental protection</p> <p><i>Nicolas Louchet & Jean-Marc Deltorn</i> Multiple benefits of localisation</p> <p><i>Pierre Courjault-rade</i> Is localisation of economy a step towards degrowth ? Case study in France.</p> <p><i>Maurie Cohen</i> The Nascent Policy Debate on Rationing</p>	<p>Chair: Friedrich Hinterberger</p> <p><i>Jean-Marie Harribey</i> Transition with the non-commercial sector</p> <p><i>André Reichel</i> Economic De-growth as Corporate Competitive Advantage?</p> <p><i>Volker Mauerhofer</i> Perspectives for a new redirected competition in a de-growth-economy</p> <p><i>Gerardo Marletto</i> De-Growth as structural change: an institutional evolutionary approach</p> <p><i>Denis Bayon & Hélène Blanc</i> What monetary resources for a degrowth economy ?</p>

18h30 – 18h45 Preparation of reports *in different rooms*

18h45 Reports in main room *in room Oslo and later room Berlin*

20h Evening Meal

Informal Meetings *in Room Berlin*

DAY 2- Saturday 19 April 2008 –
Socio-economic processes and democracy for degrowth
Dealing with societal values and economic degrowth as a whole

9h Intro of second day

9h15 Panels on macro socio-economic processes

Culture change panel – Room Berlin	Change of economic institutions? Room Oslo
<p>Chair: Fabrice Flipo</p> <p>The difficult path towards degrowth within involutive development of the West <i>Pascal van Griethuysen</i></p> <p>Opening negotiation <i>Grégoire Wallenborn</i></p> <p>Less is more: The effects of high aspirations on well-being <i>Astrid Matthey and Nadja Dwenger</i></p> <p>Psychological barriers to de-growth... and how to overcome them <i>Thompson et al.</i></p> <p>The anthropological stakes of degrowth <i>Onofrio Romano</i></p> <p>Moral values of degrowth <i>Frédéric Paul Pignet, Johan Van Niel et Catherine Lavallez</i></p> <p>System challenges in addressing sustainable consumption and production: growth, speed, and profit <i>Robert Nemeskeri et al.</i></p>	<p>Chair : Joachim Spangenberg</p> <p>Is de-growth possible? Co-evolution and control <i>Peter Bodø et al.</i></p> <p>Measures for collective reduction of material acquisition capacity of affluent countries <i>Joachim Spangenberg</i></p> <p>Why growth? Causes, welfare fallacies and how to repair them <i>Gjalt Huppes</i></p> <p>De-growth: Addressing Cultural and Institutional Constraints <i>Igor Matutinovic</i></p> <p>Politics and actual de-growth in the era of the services economy and global financial power. <i>Maurizio Ruzzene</i></p> <p>On the Way towards a De-growth Society: A Review of Transformation Scenarios and Desirable Visions of the Future <i>Schriebl et al.</i></p> <p>Towards a systemic approach to economic theory <i>Mauro Bonaiuti</i></p>

11h Pause: “café décroissance” and review of posters

11h30 Posters Tour *in different rooms and corridor*

12h30 Lunch

14h – 15h45 Forum and workshops

<p>Democracy for Degrowth <i>Room Oslo</i> (5 minutes presentation 5 minutes questions)</p>	<p>Workshop 1 <i>Room Athènes</i> Drafting degrowth conference Statement</p>	<p>Workshop 2 <i>Room Berlin</i> Degrowth research</p>	<p>Workshop 3 <i>Room Copenhagen</i> Proposal of political strategy and political measures</p>
<p><i>For the inclusion of de-growth as a possible option of the democracies, about the importance of democratic and participative processes at all levels (economic, social, environmental, local and global</i></p>	<p>Hali Healy Earlier conference statements</p>	<p>Fritz Hinterberger Fabrice Flipo</p>	<p>Francois Schneider</p>

<p><i>level...)</i> for degrowth</p> <p>Chair : Alain Caillé</p> <p>Arab Hobballah (UNEP)</p> <p>Degrowth and democracy. Towards a post-developmental politics</p> <p><i>Marco Deriu</i></p> <p><i>Marius de Geus</i></p> <p><i>Willem Hoogendijk</i></p> <p><i>Toby Quantrill, WWF</i></p> <p><i>And more on the subject</i></p>	<p>against growth: CASSE/ESEE Tillburg, Brussels...</p>	<p><i>Relaunch the Sustainable Europe research theme?</i></p>	
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15h45 – 16h15 Pause- Café “décroissance”

16h15 - 18h15 Forum and workshops

<p>Political Measures for Degrowth</p> <p><i>Room Oslo</i></p>	<p>Workshop 1</p> <p><i>Room Athènes</i></p> <p>Drafting degrowth conference Statement</p>	<p>Workshop 2</p> <p><i>Room Berlin</i></p> <p>Degrowth research</p>	<p>Workshop3</p> <p>Room Copenhagen</p> <p>Open workshop</p>
<p>Chair: Marco Deriu or Mauro Bonaiuti</p> <p>Policy and Technology Options for Reducing Resource Extraction in a Degrowth Economy</p> <p><i>Katherine Trajan & Kealan Gell</i></p> <p><i>Degrowth as transition</i></p> <p><i>Yannick Rumpala</i></p> <p><i>Paul Ariès</i></p> <p><i>Yves Cochet</i></p> <p><i>and more on the subject</i></p>			

18h15 – 18h30 Preparation for reporting

18h30 Conclusion – Reports from workshops

- Endorsement of degrowth and growth conference statements?
- Proposal of political strategy
- Proposal of political measures
- Research plans

19h closing of the conference

Evening program for the Saturday night

20h30 Restaurant

Jazz with Roefie Hueting