



Welcome to the first **WEGO in Action**

WEGO in Action will be bringing readers a summary of all the WEGO network is doing around the world with stories about our exciting diverse research, activist engagement and policy advocacy.

As is clear from the insights presented here, WEGO's activities are helping to map out where ecological, economic and social transformation are happening at the community level and on other scales, in the collective search for intersectional justice towards a more liveable world.

The emphasis of WEGO in Action is on hope, and the multi-layered possibilities for us to shape and change a world that is rife with contradictions, crises and conflicts. So while WEGO does not shy away from a shared sense of urgency, the network does intentional care-full work with others as we look at how to negotiate life in human damaged environments. WEGO aims to bridge the rift of a world marked by inequalities and plagued by the mantra of economic growth with possibilities of connectivity, vibrant materiality and livelihoods. From these engagements, WEGO contributes, builds and reaches out to feminist and other concerned scholars and activists working on the key issues of political ecology.

Importantly, as WEGO in Action shows, WEGO works with an ethic of care for each other, creating an intergenerational and horizontal process of networking with those with whom the research is being done and aware of responsibility for more-than-human others.

We hope you enjoy this first WEGO in Action where we present our take on feminist political ecology research from PhD engagements with communities to social movement actions, to contributions to academic debates in many different places, communities and economies.

Wendy Harcourt WEGO Coordinator

30 November 2019



WEGO-ITN 1st training lab in Brighton, 7-16 March 2019

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News and views



3rd November 2019

Notes from the field: Between drought and monsoon: the embodied hardship of seasonal work in Maharashtra's sugar cane plantations

At the end of a too-long, extremely dry summer, rural women from the drought-prone district of Beed, Maharashtra, finally return home, after six months of seasonal employment in sugar cane...

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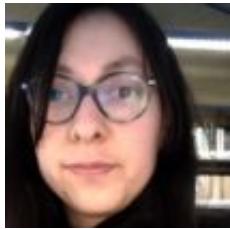


30th October 2019

Summer school Bolsena: notes from a feminist writing retreat

For a week in August part of the WEGO team gathered with other academics and activists of diverse places, ages and experiences in the beautiful convent of Bolsena in Italy...

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23rd October 2019

'Finding my way in research': reflections from an early stage researcher

Marlene Gomez shares her first reflections on doing a PhD. Well, it turns out that it has been a year since we started this wonderful, but at the same time...

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23rd October 2019

Re-enchanting the world(s) through feminist activism and commoning

How to resist the devastation of territories and social relations by collectively and creatively planting the seeds for a socioecological transformation through feminist practices of commoning? Understanding the commons as...

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19th October 2019

Inhabiting conflicting spaces: reflections around RC21, Delhi

Taking the short taxi ride from my Airbnb apartment in Jangpura to the Indian Habitat Centre on Lodhdi Road, watching the blurred streets pass in the heat of the morning...

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4th October 2019

Alternative food initiatives in Berlin and Barcelona

I feel more and more comfortable presenting my Ph.D. project in public. I remember that at the beginning of the doctorate I could not even accommodate my ideas in my...

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1st October 2019

From our friends in Undisciplined Environments

Undisciplining Political Ecology: A Minifesto A reflection on the concept that gave the name to this platform, with an invitation to unlearn the disciplinary boundaries of academia and engage in...

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1st October 2019

On Refusal, Hope and the Politics of Making Meaning

Wendy Harcourt shares snapshots of a feminist political ecologist's life over the summer where she was able to reflect and think about different socio-natures together with colleagues/friends of the Well-being,...

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30th September 2019

Field notes on the UN Climate Week in New York



'UN Climate Week in New York City was incredibly challenging. I was invited to sit with leaders I admire from Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Seychelles, and elsewhere. I...

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23rd September 2019



Are We Having One or Two Capitalist Crises? Read the bIISS blog

Are We Having One or Two Capitalist Crises? Mapping Social Reproduction in Capitalism by Maryse Helbert In June, a colloquium called 'capital accumulation: Strategies of Profit and Dispossessive Policies' was...

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Events



Undisciplined Environments goes live

Undisciplined Environments – a platform for political ecology research and activism – has launched today, 1 October 2019 This novel effort is a collaboration between the ENTITLE Collective and the...

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WEGO at the September climate marches



From 20-27 September 2019, a record 7.6 million people took to the streets to strike for climate action. The biggest climate mobilisation in history. Members of the WEGO community around...

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Post development and feminist political ecology

Ana Agostino was invited to a meeting at the University of San Martín in Buenos Aires, where Ana Ines Heras, from CERN network invited her to talk on her work...

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Diverse economies & arts based methods workshop

A group of fellow thinkers and travellers got together from 8-10 July for a workshop in Wageningen. They discussed their work as it relates to diverse economies and arts-based methods....

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WEGO lead panel discussion at European Conference on Politics and Gender

WEGO was out in force at the European Conference on Politics and Gender which ran from 3 - 6 July in Amsterdam. Wendy Harcourt, Gulay Caglar, Chizu Sato, Constance Dupuis , Marlene Gomez...

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WEGO workshop at the Environmental Justice Conference

Siti Maimunah and Alice Owen organised a workshop on 4 July 2019 to introduce the theoretical and methodological practices of Feminist Political Ecology to Environmental Justice research. This workshop was...

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WEGO at the 1st Utrecht Degrowth Symposium

WEGO members attended the 1st Utrecht Degrowth Symposium on 28 June 2019 Living on a finite planet – Alternatives to economic growth All photos by WEGO members

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WEGO exhibition on Feminism, Politics and Coal Extraction

Extracting Us Looking Differently: Feminism, Politics and Coal Extraction 11 -21 July at ONCA gallery Brighton WEGO members Siti Maimunah, Rebecca Elmhirst, Dian Ekowati, Alice Owen, Elona Hoover and ONCA Gallery...

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Project progress



First WEGO training lab in Brighton

The network held its first training lab in Brighton from 7-16 March 2019 with ESRs, beneficiaries and partner institutions. The workshops took place at the University of Brighton, IDS and community centres in Brighton.

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Orientation week

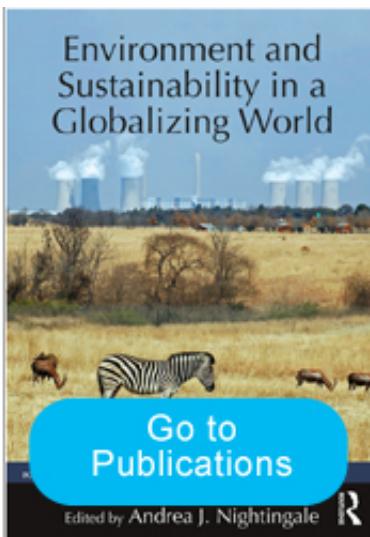
We welcomed our WEGO ESRs at the Coordinating Institute, ISS for their orientation programme from 10 to 14 September 2018. The group was eager to get to know each other...

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Future actions

- 2nd Training Lab in Bolsena Italy, 12-21 June 2020
- [POLLEN Conference](#) at Brighton UK, 24- 26 June 2020
- [EADI Conference](#) at ISS The Hague, 29 June - 2 July 2020
- [Degrowth Conference](#) at Manchester UK, 1- 5 September 2020

Publications



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