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## Planetary Politics I: More-than-human and multispecies interventions in IR

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The unfolding planetary crisis is placing mainstream International Relations (IR) understandings of what it means to be 'human' under increasing scrutiny. As IR scholars attempt to understand, articulate and critique the anthropocentric ways of thinking and living that dominate the Western-European worldview and have led to ecological breakdown, greater analytical attention is being turned towards the role of the nonhuman, more-than-human and inhuman in global politics.

This panel, linked to another proposed roundtable 'Planetary Politics II: Conversation on Planetary Politics', considers the future of IR from a more-than-human and multispecies perspective. It asks, among other questions: In what ways can study of the nonhuman, more-than-human and inhuman ensure that IR is equipped to address intensifying ecological challenges? And how can or should key concepts in IR like the state, territory, power, agency and violence be rethought in less anthropocentric ways?

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