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States of Transition

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What is the role of the state in supporting transitions and deeper transformations towards a more sustainable world? This panel brings together leading scholars from across the discipline to reflect on this question. Prompted in part by engagement with Peter Newell's new book 'States of Transition: From Governing the Environment to Social Transformation', it will explore the tensions and contradictions between multiple state roles from the military, democratic and welfare state to the industrial and global state and what this means for the prospects of creating a more sustainable world.

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