New Fellows


Affordances and knowledge: Between evolution and sustainability sciences. The mission of the institute is to support research focusing on evolution, especially in its relation to development, cognition, and sustainability science, as well as on the study of cultural and social elements of human behavior.

In three new papers, Orsolya Bajer-Molnár and coauthors further develop guidelines and strategies at global, regional, and local scales. The idea is to integrate sustainability into current urban planning and development processes, considering the importance of landscape as a social and cultural element.

Turning evolutionary theory into practice, Municipal housekeepers as early environmental economists. This new analysis should inspire today’s public, urban, and particularly environmental economists to seek deeper engagements with the concept of “sustainability”.

Is science objective? Think again. Lynn Chiu. Please send comments and questions to comms@kli.ac.at. You can find further information about KLI on our Homepage, Twitter, and YouTube.

The making of a breaking of minds (with Luis Alejandro Villanueva and Cristina Villegas).

The book symposium with Federica Russo (Sept 29 - Oct 3) with his group of Mexican Traditional Music Fellows.

The event followed Luis Alejandro’s participation in the XX Congress of the Mexican Society of Ethnomusicology and his presentation of the talk “Procesos de transmisión musical: El Son mexicano y el enfoque evo-devo de reproducción cultural”.

When music meets evo-devo

The KLI organizes a two-part professional development workshop, Coastal and tidal zone ecosystems: human and environmental interactions. In their co-authored paper, Antoine Missemer and KLI fellow Marco Vianna Franco explore the role of coastal ecosystems in the development of early environmental economics. When music meets evo-devo.

The KLI is part of the revived Vienna Science Studies Lab, which is kick starting its program with a new reading group on feminist science studies. The group will explore the idea of “agents” in different contexts, including the role of women in science, technology, and society. The reading group will meet monthly on Thursdays from 5-7pm in the KLI Seminar Room.

Agents, agency, feminist STS

The Making and Breaking of Minds


On Jan 19th, 2023, Federica Russo will talk about her new book – “Is science objective? Think again.”

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The KLI is dedicated to fostering interdisciplinary research and collaboration between researchers from different fields. The KLI organizes workshops, seminars, and conferences to promote knowledge exchange and dialogue among experts in the fields of biology, psychology, anthropology, and sociology.

The KLI Newsletter is published quarterly and provides updates on the latest research, events, and activities at the KLI. The newsletter includes information on upcoming conferences, workshops, and seminars, as well as highlights of recent publications and important developments in the fields of evolution, cognitive science, and sustainability science.