

Explore the concept of the “Anthropocene” from an Earth System Governance perspective in a masterclass featuring  
**VICTOR GALAZ** (Stockholm Resilience Center)

# THE ANTHROPOCENE ANYTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN?

Concepts such as **the Anthropocene**, **Planetary Boundaries**, and **the Great Acceleration** are gaining traction in policy and academia. However, is the “Anthropocene” a useful concept to describe the challenges posed by global environmental change? Is there such a thing as global “thresholds”? Does a “boundaries” framing restrict potential societal responses? In short, is there anything new under the sun?

Join us for this **MASTERCLASS** to delve into these issues, discuss with peers, and get feedback on your own work.

## Who

Graduate students and post-docs interested in the environment from a social science perspective. Completing the course = **1 ECTS**

## Format

Combination of lectures, small group assignments, and discussions based on the participants' own research or project ideas.

## Cost

Free of charge

## Preparations

Yes, some readings and reflections to link the Anthropocene to your own work

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## When and where

1 - 2 October 2015  
VU Campus, W&N building, IVM  
De Boelelaan 1087, Amsterdam

The masterclass will be led by **Victor Galaz**, author of ‘Global Environmental Governance, Technology and Politics: The Anthropocene Gap’ (Edward Elgar, 2014), who is an Associate Professor and Senior Lecturer in political science, researcher and co-theme leader at the Stockholm Resilience Centre (Sweden). He is interested in global environmental governance, planetary boundaries, exponential technologies and emerging political conflicts associated with the notion of the Anthropocene. His work has featured in international media such as Wired, the Guardian, New Scientist and Nature, and published in several academic journals.



## Apply

Send a 1-page motivation letter + CV to sandra.vander.hel@vu.nl - before August 21st. Accepted participants will be informed before August 28th.



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