

The Eleventh South South Forum on Sustainability: Health and the Road to Sustainability

30 June – 5 July 2024

Lingnan University, Hong Kong, China

Mode: speakers: online and onsite; audience: online

Public lectures: MBG06, Tuen Mun campus, Lingnan University

Main Forum: LYH308, Tuen Mun campus, Lingnan University

Simultaneous Interpretation: English and Putonghua (some sessions with Spanish)

Organizers:

Chinese Institute of Hong Kong

CCRD-CS, Lingnan University

School of Chinese Medicine, Hong Kong Baptist University

Global University for Sustainability

Co-organizers:

Asian Regional Exchange for New Alternatives

Graduate Program in Social Policy, Federal University of Espírito Santo, Brazil

Centre for Film Studies and Cultural Studies, Peking University

Tsinghua Institute for Advanced Study in Humanities and Social Sciences, Tsinghua University

Institute for Rural Revitalization Strategy, Southwest University

Institute of Rural Revitalization, Fujian Agriculture and Forestry University

Haikou University of Economics

Multitruelke Mixiuhca Exchange Community, Mexico

Society for International Development, Italy

Daraja Press, Canada

Green Ground Eco-Tech Centre (Beijing)

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Concept Note

How can humanity live in peace in a century of great changes?

In today's world, peace is being undermined, pandemics are not receding, and the climate is rapidly and drastically changing Is humanity at the crossroads again? Where are we heading? Can an individual's pursuit of physical and mental health, and society's quest for peace, be guaranteed? How can there be sustainability?

As in the past, the South South Forum on Sustainability (SSFS) invites experts and scholars from the South and the North to meet and brainstorm to foster collective wisdom. The title of this year's Forum is "Health and the Road to Sustainability". We have three themes for in-depth discussion. Theme 1: Cultural Traditions, Physical and Mental Health, and Sustainability. Taking traditional Chinese medicine and the art of painting and calligraphy as examples, we will discuss how, under the collision of Eastern and Western cultures, the Chinese cultural tradition with unity of heaven and humans can innovate but also maintain its fundamental principles. Theme 2: Health and Sustainability. Amidst the crisis of globalization, how can humanity consciously choose a sustainable path that leads to serenity of mind and heart, as well as social peace? Furthermore, we will explore the relevance of the North-South and South-South frameworks, reflect on the experiences and lessons of 'development' and 'healthcare', broaden the boundaries of the health discourse, and explore the paths to health projects and cultural sustainability. Theme 3: Health and Community Sustainability. Whether community building and human health can be achieved and sustained is based on good community governance, ensuring the quality of people's livelihoods, valuing inclusiveness in community life, and building ecological civilization.

Walking on the road to sustainability, we follow the law of Nature, recognize that the greatest virtue carries the characteristics of water; we respect and treasure different and diverse cultures and values, and we endeavour for a world in Great Harmony.

Date/Time	Program
30 June (Sun) 15:00-18:30	Public Event: (in Putonghua only) Moderator: YAU Lai To, Herman (Film Director) Film Screening: <i>The Book of Fish</i> (126 minutes) Commentator: DAI Jinhua (Peking University) (60 minutes)
1 July (Mon)	Visit to a farm in Hong Kong Free Activities
2 July (Tue) 10:00-10:20	Opening Ceremony Moderator: HUANG Ping (Executive Vice President, Chinese Institute of Hong Kong) Welcome Speech: YAO Xin (Vice President, Lingnan University)
10:20-12:20	Theme One: Cultural Traditions, Physical and Mental Health, and Sustainability Moderator: HUANG Ping (Chinese Institute of Hong Kong) Keynote Speeches (Public Lectures): (60 minutes each) Implications of Cultural Amalgamation for the Integration of Chinese and Western Medicine LYU Aiping Vice President (Research and Development), Hong Kong Baptist University; Foreign Member of Academia Europaea The Path of Integrated Chinese and Western Medicine in the Cultural Encounter of the East and the West Speaker: WEN Jianmin (Wangjing Hospital, China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences; World Federation of Chinese Medicine Societies)

12:20-14:00	Group Photo and Lunch
14:30-17:00	Public Lecture by Distinguished Speaker Moderator: HUANG Ping (Executive Vice President, Chinese Institute of Hong Kong) The Art of Painting and Calligraphy, and Physical and Mental Health Speaker: (90 minutes) PAN Gongkai (Former Dean of China Central Academy of Fine Arts, Director of Fudan Art Institute, Fudan University) Respondent: (60 minutes) WANG Hui (Director, Tsinghua Institute for Advanced Study in Humanities and Social Sciences, Tsinghua University)
21:00-23:30	Moderator: TENG Wai (South China Normal University) Speakers: (30 minutes each) The Right to Science: Decolonizing Knowledge to Preserve Epistemic Biodiversity Nicoletta DENTICO (Italy) The Contribution of Traditional African Medicine in the Fight Against COVID-19 and Other Tropical Diseases Jérôme MUNYANGI WA NKOLA (Congo) Ayurveda in Healthcare: Swastha Vritta (The Preventive and Social Medicine) Thushara LAL S (India) Revisiting the Role of Western Foundations in the Medical System of the Global South SIT Tsui (Southwest University)
3 July (Wed) 10:00-12:30	Theme Two: Health and Sustainability Moderator: LAU Kin Chi (Lingnan University) Speakers: (60 minutes each) Reflections in Times of Multiple Crises WANG Hui (Tsinghua University)

	Physical and Mental Health and the Defense of Society DAI Jinhua (Peking University)
12:30-14:00	Lunch
14:00-17:00	Moderator: CHEN Xinxin (Chinese Institute of Hong Kong) Speakers: (60 minutes each) De-globalization and Ecological Transformation WEN Tiejun (Haikou University of Economics) Community Building and Life Quality: For Whom, and How to be Sustainable? HUANG Ping (Chinese Institute of Hong Kong)
21:00-23:30	Moderator: Anita RAMPAL (India) Speakers: (30 minutes each) The Decadent West and the New Socialist World Order Michael HUDSON (USA) Development, Sustainability, and Ecological/Communitarian Health Ana Esther CECENA (Mexico) Cuba's Experiences in Healthcare Remy HERRERA (France) Theorising the South Solidarity of the Oppressed and Diversification of Globalisation YIN Zhiguang (Fudan University)
4 July (Thur) 10:00-12:30	Theme Three: Health and Community Sustainability Moderator: WEN Tiejun (Haikou University of Economics) Speakers: (45 minutes each) Towards Sustainable Healthcare Financing and Good Nutrition JOMO Kwame Sundaram (Malaysia) Venezuelan Communes: Building an Alternative Life-Centered Civilization Hernan VARGAS (Venezuela)

	Right to Health vs Pharmaceuticalization and Commodification of Healthcare Mira SHIVA (India)
12:30-14:00	Lunch
14:00-17:00	Moderator: LEUNG Yuk Ming, Lisa (Lingnan University) Speakers: (45 minutes each) Crossing the Gap between Global Drivers and Resources for Climate Justice, and Local Participatory Initiatives in Urban Areas of East and Southern Africa Rene LOEWENSON (Zimbabwe) Gross National Happiness in Strategic and Local Planning and Development Tandin Wangmo (Bhutan) The Path of Education for Rural Revitalization: Experiments from Communities Practicing Pro-People, Pro-land, and Pro-nature Principles ZHANG Xiaode (Chinese Academy of Governance, China) Rural Community Building in the Context of Multiple Dilemmas YAN Xiaohui (Lingnan University)
21:00-23:00	Moderator: LAU Kin Chi (Lingnan University) Speakers: (20 minutes each) A Change of Meaning. Stop the Climate Emergency, Assuming Ourselves as Ecosystems Claudia CABALLERO (Mexico) The MST in the Fight Against Agribusiness: the Experiences of Agroecological Rice Cooperatives Salete CAROLLO (Brazil) Digital Change and Ecology, Production, and Livelihoods of Rural Communities YANG Shui (Beijing Institute of Technology)

23:00-23:30	Concluding Remarks: HUANG Ping (Chinese Institute of Hong Kong) LAU Kin Chi (Lingnan University)
5 July (Fri) 09:00-18:00	Visit to Guangzhou University of Chinese Medicine and Guangdong Chinese Medicine Museum Hong Kong to Guangzhou 08:30 Departure from Lingnan University 09:00 Departure from Shenzhen Bay Hong Kong participants return to Hong Kong on the same day, while mainland participants return home from Guangzhou.

SSFS11 on Global U website:

<https://our-global-u.org/oguorg/en/the-eleventh-south-south-forum-on-sustainability-health-and-the-road-to-sustainability-30-june-5-july-2024/>

Zoom Registration:

https://lingnan.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qRrRY3TDR6ye8zCU_TBLzQ#/registration