

STOP CLIMATE CHANGE



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"Climate Change and the Challenges to Democracy"

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This talk explores the uneasy interaction between climate change and democracy, particularly liberal democracy. Its central claim is that climate change and other problems of the Anthropocene—this new epoch into which no earthly entity, process, or system escapes the reach and influence of human activity—expose and exacerbate existing vulnerabilities in democratic theory and practice, particularly in their currently dominant liberal form; and that both democracies' failures and their most promising attempts at managing these problems expose democracies to significant legitimacy challenges.

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