

Programme of the 7th Annual IAS-STS Conference
 "Critical Issues in Science and Technology Studies"
 Graz, Austria
 Festsaal, Schögelgasse 2, Semibasement

Wednesday, 7. May 2008

19:00 - **Casual pre-conference meeting of early arriving participants at "Eschenlaube"**

Thursday, 8. May 2008

9:30-10:00 **Welcome Address:** Günter Getzinger (Managing Director of the IAS-STS, Graz), Christine Wächter (Director of the IFZ, Graz)

10:00- 10:45 **Keynote: Technology Assessment as a Means of Achieving Socially Sound Solutions to Health Technology Decision Making**
 (Ellen Balka)
 (Chair: Günter Getzinger)

10:45 - 11:00 Coffee Break

	Feminist approaches to Science - Engineering - Technology: Questioning assumptions - reframing problems - outlining interventions (Chair: Tanja Paulitz/Anne-Françoise Gilbert)	Societal, economic and environmental effects of ICT (Chair: Matthias Werner)
10:45- 11:15	Teaching engineering science: a gendered subtext? (Anne-Françoise Gilbert)	Environmental Impact of the ICTs and their Role in Sustainable Development (Kasim Tatic)
11:15- 11:45	Feminist analysis and design of computational artefacts: Why epistemology (still) matters (Corinna Bath)	Living in the ICT realm: public space, private place? (Aleksandra Stupar)
11:45- 12:15	Some Critical Remarks on Women and SET Policies (Christine Wächter)	ICT and the production of (new) scientific knowledge (Chair Matthias Werner)
		Internet Use, virtualization and boundary control in a life science laboratory: An ethnographic commentary (Amrita Mishra)
12:15- 12:45	Laughing among engineers: About the interaction of gender, technology and humour (Anita Thaler)	Converging of ICT and Nanotechnology: the Problems of the Computer Simulation and Visualization in the modern Technoscience (Vitaly Gorokhov)

12:45 - 14:00 Lunch at Hotel Gollner

	Different Forms of Knowledge: Lost in Translation? I (Chair: Phillip Späth)	ICT Development I (Chair: Hajo Greif)
14:00- 14:30	Trans-disciplinarity: main categories and their usability (Günter Getzinger)	Revision of social construction of technology theory in the context of IT development projects (Eva Estok)
14:30- 15:00	How to carry out 'co-operative' research? (Sandra Karner & Nicoleta Chioncel)	Mobile Broadband: Design, Applications and Users' Experience (Oana Mitrea/Hajo Greif/Matthias Werner)
15:00- 15:30	The role of intermediate scientific organisations in synergistic combination of the new arising technologies (Franc Mali)	

15:30 - 16:00 Break

	Different Forms of Knowledge: Lost in Translation? II (Chair: Phillip Späth)	ICT Development II (Chair: Hajo Greif)
16:00- 16:30	The Dialectics of Civic Epistemology (David Mercer)	The shift to soft computing in artificial intelligence and its relation to alternative kinds of epistemology (Verónica Sanz)
16:30- 17:00	Organisational enactments and resymbolizations of representation prepare the ground for paradoxical expert situations (Risto Eräsaari)	Engagement in ICT Design Processes as Media Education - How technical and personal development interact (Isabel Zorn)

17:00 **IFZ 20th Anniversary Ceremony: Orangerie Burggarten Graz**

Friday, 9. May 2008

9:30- 10:15	Keynote: Risk assessment policy - making the framing assumptions explicit (Erik Millstone) (Chair: Armin Spök)
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9:15-10:30 Break

	Public Consultations on Biotech and Policy Perspectives (Chair: Armin Spök)	Governance for Sustainable Energy Systems I (Chair: Anna Schreuer)
10:30- 11:00	Consumer acceptance of second and third generational genetically modified organisms (Gyula Kasza, Katalin Kádár, Krisztián Keszthelyi)	"Greening the Electricity System" - The contribution of non-state governance strategies (Harald Rohrer)
11:00- 11:30	"Let's engage the public - but for what?" A Critical Assessment of Public Consultations on GMOs in the European Union (Marko Ahteensuu)	Guiding visions at work: How Austrian "Energy regions" effectively align decisions and shape socio-technical change (Philipp Späth)
11:30- 12:00	Science and Politics in Agricultural Biotechnology: the case of the European Union's Deliberate Release Framework (Mihail Kritikos)	Design and Management Options for improving the energy performances of Housing (Heimo Staller & Wibke Tritthart)

12:00 - 14:00 Lunch

Reception by the Mayor of Graz, Mag. Siegfried Nagl, in the City Hall, Hauptplatz

	Different Perspectives on Genetic Testing I (Chair: Sandra Karner)	Governance for Sustainable Energy Systems II (Chair: Ingmar Lippert)
14:00- 14:30	Standardizing Sperm. On the regulation of male Bodies, Medical Expert Knowledge and Biotechnological Classifications (Torsten Wöllmann)	What Do People Think? Participatory evaluation of the end-user energy research agenda in Austria (Michael Ornetzeder et al.)
14:30- 15:00	Chronotope(s) of genetic autonomy: Genetic resources and the reordering of the natural boundaries of nationhood (Sakari Tamminen)	The ambivalent question of long-range roadmaps and reflexive transition in hydrogen economy (Agnes Fesus)
		Technology Studies and Sustainability I (Chair: Ingmar Lippert)
15:00- 15:30	Genetic Risk and individual responsabilization. 'Breast Cancer susceptibility Genes' as a matter of self-management (Andrea zur Nieden)	Labour market segmentation in Slovenia and chances for sustainable development (Anton Kramberger)
15:30- 16:00	Parental management of everyday life with CF-children (Daniela Freitag)	A hope for the others- regional innovation networks and policies in developing countries: the case of furniture sector of Turkey (Emek Kepenek)

16:00 - 16:30 Break

	Different Perspectives on Genetic Testing II (Chair: Daniela Freitag)	Technology Studies and Sustainability II (Chair: Harald Rohrer)
16:30- 17:00	Ethical boundary work in genetic testing (Bernhard Wieser)	Analyzing Design and Potential of Pesticide Application Services in Austrian Farming (Manfred Klade)
17:00- 17:30	Back to the Body? The Biotechnological Crisis of Ethics and the Rise of an Ethics of the Body (Martin G. Weiss)	Floods as Social Events (Thomas Berger)
17:30- 18:00		Conceptualising agents of ecological modernisation within 'hybrid fields' and emancipation from them (Ingmar Lippert)

18:00- 18:15	Closing Remarks: Gunter Getzinger (Managing Director of the IAS-STs, Graz)
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18:30	Departure to 'Buschenschank' Reception of the Governor of Styria Mag. Franz Voves
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