

# A Just and Green Transformation in a Changing World

The need to address climate change and the task of achieving a good standard of living around the world are two central and interrelated issues in current political economy debates. While the existence of the threat of climate change is certain, there is no consensus on the appropriate measures to respond to this multifaceted crisis. The complex nature of the crisis prevents a simple solution.

Ecological economists point out that the relationship between the biosphere and the economic system is complex. By its very nature, the relationship between these two systems has a high degree of unknown and unknowable parameters. Any policy response to the climate crisis will affect and change the way we live. This presents both challenges and opportunities for policy-making.

It is now widely acknowledged that, as is even pointed out in the Introduction to the Annual Sustainable Growth Strategy 2020, "economic growth is not an end in itself" and any economic activity must take into account planetary boundaries. This creates potential trade-offs and questions the ability of the capitalist system and its principle of accumulation to deliver a sustainable economy.

The reopening of the debate on an appropriate economic system and alternatives to capitalism presents both a complex challenge for policy-making and a promising opportunity to rectify past inequalities. This debate marks a crucial step towards a more just (global) society.

The proposed session "A Just and Green Transformation in a Changing World" will explore the multifaceted aspects of economic, social and environmental challenges. The session will discuss viable policies, their socio-economic impacts and general issues related to inequality and (re)distribution.

We welcome submissions that address, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- The socio-economic implications of a green transformation
- The socio-economic implications of the absence of a green transformation
- The link between wealth and structural (global) inequality and the climate crisis
- Policies to ensure that a green transformation is a just transformation
- Policies and institutions to ensure a long-term sustainable society
- Case studies of a just and green transformation
- The spatial dimension of a just and green transformation

Submissions to this special session at this year's EAEPE conference in Bilbao shall be done through the homepage of EAEPE:

[https://eaepe.org/?page=events&side=annual\\_conference&sub=eaepe\\_2024\\_cfp](https://eaepe.org/?page=events&side=annual_conference&sub=eaepe_2024_cfp)

The deadline for submission is **5<sup>th</sup> April 2024**.

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