

The Anthropocene: A New Epoch of Geological Time?

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The concept of the Anthropocene represents one of the most democratic and bottom-up organizing principles that Earth science has ever seen. The term is already embedded in the language of scientists, socio-economists, politicians, and the media. If we are to understand the significance and scale of contemporary global change, in all its forms, we need to know it, to see it, against the backcloth of the Earth's full story. And we need to see it from as many perspectives, from as many realms, as possible.

This conference will bring together the range of disciplines and realms to discuss, to debate the evidence for the Anthropocene.

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