

Keynote Presentation – Islands’ Place and Space: A Geographer’s View on Climate Change In Small Islands

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Abstract

Small islands are widely regarded as hotspots of climate change and are commonly propagated as particularly vulnerable to climate change effects. The contribution discusses a geographer's view on island spatiality in times of climate change and questions the detections and attributions of climate change impacts. Taking into account place and space, politics and society, action and reaction, from within and from without, the question arises as to whether small islands are doomed to be victims.