



## deconstructing green

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Copenhagen June 13-17 2018

### PhD Masterclass – Call for Participation

Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018

At the occasion of the European Society of Literature, Science and the Art's 2018 conference, the **University of Copenhagen** and **Aarhus University** conjunctly offer PhD students the opportunity to participate in an exceptional, interdisciplinary and international master class with keynote speakers of high renown, in addition to the conference event itself. The umbrella term 'green' opens up perspectives to debate one of the most pervasive and broadest tropes of our times, in the light of intertwined disciplines such as philosophy, art theory & history, literature & poetry, political & social sciences, environmental & medical humanities, color theory, perception and cognition, anthropology & ethnography, biology, biodiversity management and landscape architecture. How to define and understand *greenness* is an urgent political, societal, philosophical and economic question not only in academia – yet there is much confusion about its meanings. *Green* is often positively connoted. It has become pervasive across a broad range of disciplines, but far from having universal meaning, it marks a dramatic knowledge gap prone to systematic misunderstandings. More concept than color, *green* is often being reduced to a mere metaphor stripped of its material, epistemological and historical referents – which are the focus of the 'green' conference.

We are looking for **20 PhD candidates** who wish to share and debate their ideas in-depth with keynote speakers **Anna Lowenhaupt Tsing** (University of California Santa Cruz & Aarhus University), **Brigitte Luis Guillermo Baptiste** (Alexander von Humboldt Biological Resources Research Institute Bogotá), **Natasha Myers** (York University Toronto) and **Olaf L. Müller** (Humboldt University Berlin), in addition to additional high-level registered SLSA speakers (tbc) on **June 13 and 17**.

Interested candidates need to submit a short **description of their research project and a biography of 2 pages maximum by 15.4.** to [green-slsa2018.ku.dk/call-for-papers/](http://green-slsa2018.ku.dk/call-for-papers/) (tick the box 'masterclass'); the results of the selection process will be notified by 30.4. The **registration fee of 1.900 DKK** covers: access to all conference activities from 13 to 16 March (keynote lectures, semi-plenaries, parallel sessions with ca. 120 paper presentations of international scholars, artistic evening events, opening cocktail, food & drinks at special event at the National Gallery of Denmark (Statens Museum for Kunst), conference program & materials, lunch and refreshments during the two master class segments of five hours each in 13 and 16 March. Candidates who do *not* have any support from doctoral schools of their home universities or other funding sources can apply for one of the **eight stipends for free master class registration provided by the Carlsberg Foundation**. Please indicate in your application if you apply for this option, and why.

The main conference site is UCPH's Southern Humanities campus, other events and keynotes will happen at the Medical Museion, and at the National Gallery of Denmark.

**The Program:**

- 13.6. 9-12 h & 13-15 h **Master class segment 1 with Olaf L. Müller and Brigitte Luis Guillermo Baptiste**  
16-19h SLSA conference opening  
19-21h Opening cocktail
- 14.6. 9-18h SLSA conference program  
19-22h Evening event at Medical Museion
- 15.6. 9-15h SLSA conference program  
16-22h 'green Friday' event at Statens Museum for Kunst
- 16.6. 9-18h SLSA conference program
- 17.6. 12-17h **Master class segment 2 with Anna Lowenhaupt Tsing and Natasha Myers**

Participants are expected to prepare a sharp **10 minutes presentation** of their research, as well as contextualizing **bullet points** for the general discussion with SLSA keynote speakers. Selected candidates will be credited **3 ECTS points for attending both the master class and the conference program.**

This master class is organized and co-financed by the University of Copenhagen (Faculty of Humanities, Faculty of Social Sciences, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences) and Aarhus University (School of Communication and Culture).

For further questions contact: [slsa-green@hum.ku.dk](mailto:slsa-green@hum.ku.dk)

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