

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES Charles University

Institute of Political Studies of the Faculty of Social Sciences would like to warmly invite you to a public lecture by **Prof. David Chandler**

AI and the Anthropocene

The lecture will take place at the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Hollar building, room no. 212, on Monday, December 3, from 17:00

The Anthropocene (exemplified in anthropogenic global warming and climate change) is often understood as ending the divide between humans (as knowing actors and agents) and nature (as a passive object to be known - as the background, or stage, for our actions). This lecture looks at how **AI** can be used to engage in a world increasingly conceived to be complex, unpredictable and unknowable. The key focus of the talk will be on the application of AI as a technology of 'sensing' (considering the role of Big Data and the Internet of Things) and how, in this framework, correlation is seen to be more important than the understanding of causality.

David Chandler is Professor of International Relations at the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Westminster. He is the founding editor of the Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding and the current editor of the journal Resilience: International Policies, Practices and Discourses. He is also the founding editor of the Routledge book series Studies in Intervention and Statebuilding and the current editor of the Routledge book series' Advances in Democratic Theory and Routledge Studies in Resilience. Professor Chandler is the author of a number of monographs, including: Ontopolitics in the Anthropocene: An Introduction to Mapping, Sensing and Hacking (Routledge, 2018); Peacebuilding: The Twenty Years' Crisis, 1997-2017 (Palgrave, 2016); The Neoliberal Subject: Resilience, Adaptation and Vulnerability (with Julian Reid) (Rowman & Littlefield, 2015); Resilience: The Governance of Complexity (Routledge, 2014), and many others. David Chandler has also contributed more than one hundred articles to international peer-reviewed journals (in the spheres of international relations, social theory, security, development, democracy, history, geography, political theory, philosophy, ethics and law). For winter semester 2018/2019, prof. Chandler has become a visiting senior researcher at the Institute of Political Studies within the framework of the project "International Mobility of Researchers at Charles University".



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