



Opening the bin 4 : *La vie en Bin* : when waste reflects the materiality of societies

11-13th december 2025
Le Mans Université – France

FORWARD PROGRAMME

Adress: Fabrique Rêve de ville - 5 boulevard Anatole France, Le Mans

Before OTB4 - Wednesday 10th December

09:00–12.30	Writing session (Room - Rabelais) Convenors: Sam Parsley – Fabrique Rêve de ville
14.00 –17.00	PhD/Postgraduate workshop (Room - Courthardy) Convenors: Hervé Corvellec, María José Zapata Campos, Patrik Zapata & Alison Stowell – Fabrique Rêve de ville
18.00-21.00	Informal dinner/drinks for early arrivals – Fabrique Rêve de ville

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OTB4 2025 - Thursday 11th December

09.00-09.30	Registration opens and coffee break (Amphitheatre Veron de Forbonnay)
09.30-10.00	Official opening of the conference - Pascal Picard, Vice President (Research), Le Mans Université, Alliance Colours - Alison Stowell, Organiser of Opening the bin 3, University of Lancaster - Nathalie Lazaric, Director of the French CNRS network (GDR) “Waste, Values and Societies” - Jannick Rumeau, Co-director of the “PEPR Recycling” national research programme - Adeline Pierrat, Jean-Baptiste Bahers & Mathieu Durand, OTB4 organisers
10.00-10.15	PhD workshop review Plastic Bestiary presentation ---- <i>In parallel: Official recognition of the “Rudology Totem Site”</i>

10.15-10.55	Introductory keynote: Key note #1 : Baptiste Monsaigeon (Sociology, Reims University, CNRS bronze medal) Convenor: Room manager:			
10.55-11.15	Coffee break			
11.15-11.20	Time to get to parallel tracks			
11.20-12.35	Session 1.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 1.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 1.3 (Room Rabelais)	Session 1.4 (Room Racan)
	Metabolism 1 <i>Invisible waste, virtuous waste. Promoting industrial agriculture by managing its toxic by-products.</i> Prete Giovanni (Université Sorbonne Paris Nord) <i>What's essential is invisible to the eye: plasticulture and microplastic waste in French agricultural soils.</i> Dufour Etienne, Monsaigeon Baptiste (Université de Reims, CNRS) <i>Embracing Indeterminacy: On land-base plastics emission models into the marine environment.</i> Becker Christoph (VITO) Convenor: Room manager:	Grassroot 1 <i>Becoming waste: domestic practices and pathways of clothing possessions.</i> Assima Chantal, Herbert Maud (Université de Lille) <i>Is Waste Easy? Infrastructure Legibility and Panic Rooms.</i> Julian Porras (Universitat Oberta de Catalunya), Middha Bhavna, Horne Ralph (RMIT University Australia) <i>From Waste to Wardrobe: Exploring Consumer Acceptance of Biowaste-Dyed Sustainable Fashion.</i> Lamy Arnaud, Costa Sandrine (INRAE) Convenor: Room manager:	Justice 1 <i>Waste, Power, and Urban Inequality: The Politics of Exclusion in Mangaung South Africa's Backyard Dwellings.</i> Schenck Catherina, Nyakabawu Shingi (University of the Western Cape) <i>Domestic space, a detrital and rudological space, a vector of environmental and sociological inequalities.</i> Buchot Nathalie (Le Mans Université) <i>Guiding local governments through the ecological transition: critical issues and strategies for assessing and improving local circular policies.</i> Giulia Di Martino (Università di Palermo) Convenor: Room manager:	Livelihoods 1 <i>Gendering Waste in a Casted Labour: Waste Infrastructures and Waste Workers' Shifting Gendered Subjectivities.</i> Raj Rahul (Sheffield University) <i>Reclaiming bodily waste': ecological sanitation on a domestic scale and its limits.</i> Legrand Marine (ENPC) <i>The House that Plastic Built: Socio-Material Transformation and Working Rhythms in Bogota's Waste Picker Plastics Plants.</i> O'Hare Patrick (St-andrews University) Convenor: Room manager:
12.35-13.55	Lunch			
13.55-14.00	Time to get to amphitheatre			
	Session 2.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 2.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 2.3 (Room Rabelais)	Session 2.4 (Room Racan)
14.00-15.30	Special session: Food waste 1 <i>Mexico City's food/waste landscapes: food waste journeys from shops and restaurants to compost infrastructures.</i>	Epistemological 1 <i>Anthropocene Ouroboros: Shimmying Plastics and the Contamination of Time.</i> Abrahms-Kavunenko Saskia (Kyoto University)	Livelihoods 2 <i>The paradox of waste-pickers.</i> Cattaneo Claudio, Vico Daniele, Julian Porras, Demaria Federico (Universitat de Barcelona, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya)	Grassroot 2 <i>The role of victims and citizens in disaster waste management.</i> Marchesini Gaïa (université Gustave Eiffel)

	Guibrunet Louise (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico) Bortolotti Andrea (Politecnico di Milano) <i>From the ideal of circularity to the political and imperceptible materiality of urban metabolism: organic matter circulations and urban agriculture in Congo.</i> Régeard Noémie (Le Mans Université) <i>Too good to go: Kliekjes and buurtkastjes as shared forms of frugality in the Netherlands.</i> Melles Maike (Czech Academy of Sciences) Convenor: Petr Jehlicka Room manager:	<i>Are the "dogsbodys" of Homo detritus the despised drudges of the Capitalocene? The place and role of pathic rationality in the metabolic rift.</i> Le Lay Stéphane <i>What Waste Reveals About Capitalism's Legal Infrastructure.</i> Thomas Garance (Science Po Paris) <i>Green Contradictions.</i> Fevrier Kesha (Queen's University) Convenor: Room manager:	<i>Belonging through Waste Work: The Local Configuration of Waste Picking in Porto Alegre, Brazil.</i> Carbone Ginevra (Università degli Studi di Trieste) <i>Waste and Interdependence: Everyday Relations Between Informal Recyclers and Households in Barcelona.</i> Julian Porras, Cattaneo Claudio, Demaria Federico, Vico Daniele (Universitat de Barcelona, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya) <i>Value of waste: Contestations and collaborations between waste pickers and producers.</i> Raphael Riya (Lund University) Convenor: Room manager:	<i>Integrating Organic Residual Biomass into Energy Policy: Community Energy, Popular Economy, and Waste Management in Colombia.</i> Luisa Fernanda Tovar Cortés (Universidad Nacional de Colombia) <i>Affect as equaliser: 'other-castes' and the changing dynamics of caste-based sanitary labour in India.</i> Yadav Avinay (University of London) <i>Seeing waste like a city: Towards a research agenda for waste as urban phenomenon.</i> Cator Charlotte (Copenhagen Business School) Convenor: Room manager:
15.30-15.55	Coffee break			
15.55-16.00	Time to get to parallel tracks			
	Session 3.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 3.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 3.3 (Room Rabelais)	Session 3.4 (Room Racan)
16.00-17.30	Special session: Food waste 2 <i>The Implications of Taking Urban Composting Out of the Bin.</i> Yankova Lilyana (Ensci) <i>Social Representations of Composting: Insights from Free Association Technique.</i> Ayadi Nawel (Université de Tunis), Gonzalez Christine (Le Mans Université), Lapeyre Alexandre (Université de Toulouse) <i>Feeding on Waste: Circular Grassroots Hope or Neoliberal Stopgap?</i> Zapata Campos Maria	Justice 2 <i>Environmental justice in the waste management sector: a transdisciplinary study in Brussels.</i> Pease Elena, Gautier Stephanie, Onan Lucas, Dedeurwaerdere Tom (UC Louvain) <i>Contested Waste.</i> Demaria Federico, Vico Daniele (Universitat de Barcelona) <i>Gendering circular economy policy in Scotland.</i> Colley Kathryn & al. (Hutton Institute)	Metabolism 2 <i>The Value of Green Waste: Exploitation and Commodification in a Composting Plant in Italy.</i> Di Cecco Simone (Université Paris Cité) <i>Building material reuse: a case study from Toulouse.</i> Besset Claire (Université Toulouse 2) <i>The difficult complementarity of local management and centralized management of urban household food waste in France. An analysis through the proximity framework.</i> Gouchon Maeliss (Université de Reims)	Epistemological 2 <i>Critical waste-based epistemology.</i> Corvellec Hervé (Lund University), Bevan David (Saint Martin's Institute) <i>Being alongside, living with waste.</i> Olofsson Jennie (Mid Sweden University) <i>What-a-Waste : a serious game to raise awareness of municipal waste reduction.</i> Daniel François-Joseph (Université de Strasbourg) <i>Against an ecology of purity: an intertwined history of negative commons and communities.</i> Lecerf Maulpoix (EHESS)

	José, Zapata Patrik (University of Gothenburg) <i>Household food waste, frugality and Eastern Europe: Countering the wasteful consumer hegemony from the epistemic periphery.</i> Jehlicka Petr, Sosna Daniel (Czech Academy of Sciences), Sovova Lucie (Wageningen University & Research), Veen Esther (University of Applied Sciences) Convenor: <i>Maïke Melles & Daniel Sosna</i> Room manager:	<i>Zero Waste influencers promoting waste instead of emptying the bin?</i> Mungroo Kate (Le Mans Université) Convenor: Room manager:	<i>Institutional Work in the Rudological Public Order: A Comparative Perspective from Three European Coastal Cities.</i> Camino Alexandre (La Rochelle Université) Convenor: Room manager:	Convenor: Room manager:
18.00-19.00	Time to get to “Brasserie La Madeleine” 7 place des Jacobins LE MANS (Tram stop “Republique”) (20 min from the university)			
19.00-21.00	Dinner			

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08.30-09.00	Coffee welcome			
09.00-10.30	Session 4.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 4.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 4.3 (Room Rabelais)	
	Special session: 50 years EU Waste directive <i>The future of waste legislation in a circular society: still the main character or only a supporting role?</i> Voorter Jonas (Hasselt University) <i>Governing Plastics in Europe: Evolution, Frictions, and the Politics of Waste since the 1990s.</i> De Boe Grégory (UCLouvain)	Livelihoods 3 <i>Historicising Sanitation Work: Value, Infrastructural Labour and Representation in South Asia.</i> Cawood Sally (Lancaster University) <i>Accumulation by inclusion: Informal waste workers and the win-win fallacy of the circular economy.</i> Anantharaman Manisha (Science Po Paris) <i>State, Labour and Sanitation:</i>	Grassroot 3 <i>Biowaste management in France: exploring hybridities between local and large-scale management.</i> Gabriel Andrea Wiktor (Ecogeos), Lehec Elisabeth (Université de Tours) <i>Re-take, Re-put, Re-Do: the challenging implementation of a territorial circular economy by the Public Waste Management Service.</i> Chraïbi Julien (Le Mans Université)	

	<i>From Pigouvian Tax to Producer Responsibility: Rethinking the Waste Hierarchy in the Global South.</i> Coulibaly Moussa (Université de Bordeaux) Convenor: Alexandre Camino (Université de La Rochelle) Room manager:	<i>Making and Unmaking of Sanitation Worker.</i> Rathore Gayatri Jai Singh (Science po Paris) <i>The issues of justice arising from waste management practices: from dumping grounds to sustainable equity.</i> Claire Larroque (Université Paris 1) Convenor: Room manager:	<i>Recycling organic waste for urban agriculture in the Ouagadougou region.</i> Derra Wendyida Bibata (Université Joseph Ki-Zerbo) <i>From rubbish to recycled bags. Processes of plastic industrialization in the Metropolitan Area of Buenos Aires.</i> Santiago Sorroche (CONICET) Convenor: Room manager:	
10.30-10.50	Coffee/tea break (Hall building Veron de Forbonnais)			
10.50-10.55	Time to get to parallel tracks			
10.55-12.25	Session 5.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 5.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 5.3 (Room Rabelais)	Session 5.4 (Room Racan)
	Justice 3 <i>Household Waste Reduction: A Segmented Approach Through Social Practice Theory.</i> Jebs Emna, Ackermann Claire-Lise, François-Lecompte Agnès (Université Bretagne Sud ; Rennes Business School) <i>Uneven tirednesses. On some inequalities among the lyonnese streetcleaners in Lyon.</i> Dillenseger Clément (ENS Lyon) <i>Social reproduction of waste.</i> Raphael Riya (Lund University), Porras Bulla Julian (Universitat Oberta de Catalunya) <i>Organisations Created By Waste: Exploring the Possibilities of Approved Bodies in Narratives for Circular Futures.</i> Wishart Lucy (University of Edinburgh) Convenor:	What a waste – Serious Game Limited number of participants. Advance registration required by Thursday 11 December in the evening at the latest, at the door to the Courthardy room. Convenor: François- Joseph Daniel	Epistemological 3 <i>Take the discourse of disaster victims seriously to turn flood discard into a social problem.</i> Genouel Mailys (ENS Lyon) <i>Re-enchanting a wasted land: a polluted river through the imagination and action of an urban collective, Marseille.</i> Le Meur Mikaëla (Université Libre de Bruxelles) <i>Belongings bypassing the Bin: Keeping Junk in Abeyance through Inter-household Outsourcing.</i> Appelgren Staffan, Bohlin Anna (University of Gothenburg) <i>Walking with Plastic Waste: Resonant Fieldwork Practices for Working with Presence-as-Absence.</i> Aular Neylan (University of Turku) Convenor:	Metabolism 3 <i>Organising Plastic Waste: Social-material dynamics and Circular Economy ambitions in the Pupler Waste Project.</i> Ferri Marta, Stowell Alison, Vurdubakis Theo (Lancaster University) <i>Political ecologies of electronic waste circularity: capturing value, jettisoning harm.</i> Garb Yaakov (BGU), Leblond Nelly (CNRS) <i>Searching for gold in peelings? Territorial ecology and circular bioeconomy politics/cies in Pays de la Loire.</i> Joxe Simon (Le Mans Université) <i>Reuse for the people, reuse for the clothes? Performing the product/waste status through devices and practices.</i> Bossuyt Eva (Sciences Po Paris), Jourdain Vincent (École des Mines de St Etienne) Convenor: Room manager:

	Room manager:	(Université de Strasbourg), Gayatri Jai Singh Rathore (Science Po Paris)	Room manager:	
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12.25-13.55	Lunch			
13.55-14.25	Artistic performance with Coffee/tea and group photo			
14.25-14.30	Time to get to Amphitheatre Veron de Forbonnais			
14.30-15.10	Keynote speaker : Key note #2 : Sylvie Ayimpam (Anthropologist, political science, Institut des Mondes Africains) Convenor: Room manager:			
15.10-15.15	Time to get to parallel tracks			
15.15-16.45	Session 6.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 6.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 6.3 (Room Rabelais)	Session 6.4 (Room Racan)
	Grassroot 4 <i>Solidarity-Based Reuse at Risk of Commercial Recuperation. Cordrie Benjamin, Bayard Victor</i> (Université La Salle) <i>What residencies: re-use and re-production in contemporary art. Kasia Ozga</i> (University of North Carolina Greensboro) <i>Waste Prevention from Below: A critical analysis of Repair and Reuse Community Initiatives in Barcelona. Zisakou Anastasia, Callen Moreu Blanca</i> (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) <i>Who takes care of household surpluses? Corteel Delphine</i> (Université de Tours) Convenor: Room manager:	Livelihoods 4 <i>Valuing the Discarded: Furniture, Feeling, and the Everyday Geographies of Waste. Furnston Katryn</i> (Nottingham Trent University) <i>Beyond the household bin: Contaminated realities of recycling practices. Stowell Alison</i> (Lancaster University) <i>Landfills as Terrains of Rupture: The Blind Spots of Circularity and Structural Harm in the Global South. Aung Soe</i> (YSEALI Academic) <i>Becoming-with plastics: Material-Cultural Negotiations of Human-Plastic Relations in Finnish Society. Onali Alma</i> (Tampere University) Convenor: Room manager:	Metabolism 4 <i>Imaginary Circles: Scrap economies as acts of remaking in Lebanon and Iraq. Saleh Elizabeth</i> (American University of Beirut), Gotts Isadora (King's College London) <i>Urban waste in the global carbon metabolism. Rocher Laurence</i> (Université Lyon 3) <i>Crafting biomaterials from organic waste: artistic, conceptual and metabolic experiments in European metropolises. Tixadou Solène</i> (Le Mans Université) <i>Valuing biowaste with Mechanical Biological Treatment Technologies. The rise and fall of a sociotechnical imaginary. Daniel François-Joseph</i> (Université de Strasbourg) Convenor: Room manager:	Epistemological 4 <i>From the textual to the textural: Depicting residual matter beyond representation. Pyhtinen Olli</i> (Tampere University) <i>The (ontogenetic) limits of circularity. A case study from mobile communication infrastructure waste. Fernandez De Las Heras Ion, Callen Moreu Blanca, Cano Bastidas Cristina</i> (Universitat Oberta de Catalunya; Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona) <i>Waste as a Dys/functional object. Arnold Nadine</i> (University of Lucerne), Schuerkmann Christiane (Universität Mainz) <i>Closing the bin. Mercier Olivia</i> (CNAM), Cavé Jérémie (IRD), Convenor: Room manager:
16.45-17.05	Coffee/tea break (Hall building Veron de Forbonnais)			

17.05-17.10	Time to get to Amphitheatre Veron de Forbonnais
17.10-17.50	Keynote speaker : Key note #3 : Daniel Sosna (Anthropologist, Czech Academy of Sciences) : Convenor: Room manager:
17.50-18.30	Time to get to the “City hall - Mairie” 1 Place Saint-Pierre LE MANS (Tram stop “Republique”) (20 min from the university)
18.45-21.00	Dinner

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Saturday 13th

08.30-09.00	Coffee welcome			
09.00-10.15	Session 7.1 (Amphitheatre)	Session 7.2 (Room Courthardy)	Session 7.3 (Room Rabelais)	Session 7.4 (Room Racan)
	Justice 4 <i>Framing Disaster Waste: From Conflict to Climate to COVID.</i> O'Neill Kate (Berkeley University) <i>Hoggüj and hajagdalgüj: Competing Visions of Zero-Waste in Ulaanbaatar.</i> Dupuy Anna (Université de Bordeaux) <i>From Real Problem to Real Estate: Political Transformations of War Rubble in Lebanon Through a Polanyian Environmental Sociology Framework</i> Hanna Hawa (University of Cambridge) Convenor: Room manager:	Grassroot 5 <i>Making up Ecological Citizenship: Green Governmentality, Social Inequality, and the Politics of Waste in Singapore.</i> De Bercegol Rémi (CNRS) Romani Badir (Wastepicker Egypt) <i>Quantifying the material and economic contributions and the exploitation of informal waste pickers in Barcelona.</i> Vico Daniele, Van Eynde Rob, Julian Porras, Cattaneo Claudio, Demaria Federico (Universitat de Barcelona, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya) Convenor: Benedicte Florin Room manager:	Metabolism 5 <i>Rethinking diapers: Exploring the distribution of waste, labour, and resources in the making of a public cloth-diaper service.</i> Trousselle Anaas (Narrau), Leblond Nelly (CNRS) <i>Outside the Bin: The Planetary Metabolism of Mismanaged Plastic Waste.</i> Dimitrijevic Katarina (Loughborough University) <i>Bins for eternity: the fabulous history of synthetic textiles.</i> Person Sarah, Piernas Gersende, Renault Jean Philippe, Touchelay Béatrice, Devineau Stéphanie (CEA, CNAM, Université de Lille) Convenor: Room manager:	Livelihoods 5 <i>The Trash Community of Instagram.</i> Lepisto Ella (Tampere Univerdsity) <i>The feminisation of waste jobs: dynamics at work in the WEEE sector and presentation of a case study.</i> Van Nieuwenhuyse Thomas, Neau Claire, Le Lay Stéhane (Rudologia) <i>Multi-media restitutions of an ethnography of scrap metal collectors.</i> Giannotta Anna Karin (University of Padova) Convenor: Room manager:
10.15-10.20	Time to get to Amphitheatre Veron de Forbonnais			

10.20-11.00	Keynote speaker : Key note #4 : Rosalind Fredericks (Geography and development studies, New York University) Convenor: Room manager:
11.00-11.20	Coffee/tea break (Hall building Veron de Forbonnais)
11.20-11.25	Time to get to Amphitheatre Veron de Forbonnais
11.25-12.50	Epistemological 5 Special session. Gendering Waste Convenor: <i>Hervé Corvellec, Jennie Olofsson</i> Room manager:
12.50-13.15	Closing of conference, next steps (Amphitheatre Veron de Forbonnais) OTB5 announcement
13.15-14.30	Lunch (Hall building Veron de Forbonnais)
14.30-15.00	Coach to field trip visit to the city (<i>optional</i>)
15.00-17.30	Field Trip (<i>optional</i>)