

winter term 2026/2027

## „Climate and Capitalism“

Over 10 years on from the Paris Climate Agreement, global emissions remain at record levels. Key climate targets are slipping out of reach whilst reactionary forces are increasingly normalising overshoot and reneging on sustainability agendas. Yet although other topics may be taking political centre stage, the climate crisis remains one of the most pressing and significant challenges of our time.

This year's GIB Lecture Series therefore examines the complex and constantly evolving interconnections between the ecological crisis and our economic system. We invite experts from a range of fields within geography to discuss how capitalist modes of production and consumption entangle with the climate crisis, reproduce its impacts along uneven lines, and to what extent pathways towards a more sustainable economy are possible within the capitalist economic system.



10.11.2026

4.15–5.45 p.m.

H6 (Geo I)

Hybrid-Veranstaltung

**Enter the Mouth of the Cloud:**

**How Data Centers Metabolize Earth for Computation**

*Dr. Steven Gonzalez Monserrate (Goethe Universität Frankfurt)*

17.11.2026

4.15–5.45 p.m.

H6 (Geo I)

Hybrid-Veranstaltung

**Temporalität des Wohnens und Arbeitens – mobil, multi-lokal und nachhaltig? Ergebnisse einer Studie in den beiden Großstadtreionen Frankfurt am Main und Leipzig**

*Prof. Caroline Kramer (Karlsruher Institut für Technologie)*

01.12.2026

4.15–5.45 p.m.

H6 (Geo I)

Hybrid-Veranstaltung

**Science, Advocacy and Activism:**

**How Do We Navigate Where We Stand?**

*Prof. Julia Steinberger (University of Lausanne)*

19.01.2027

4.15–5.45 p.m.

H6 (Geo I)

Hybrid-Veranstaltung

**What Was Green Finance, and What Can We Learn From It? A Critical Examination of Private-Public Finance Initiatives**

*Dr. Jens Christiansen (Lund University)*



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