



December 2, from 14.00-15.00

AIAS, Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies, Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 6B, building 1632, room 203.

Environmental Ethics; Sustainability and the special case of The Arctic

Presentation by Post.doc Jacob Busch, Department of Culture and Society, Philosophy,
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In my talk I will discuss a traditional line taken by environmental ethicists, when it comes to discussing ethical themes relevant for the arctic region. In particular issues of sustainability, (environmental and cultural) and issues to do with what the relevant notion of value may be for having these kinds of discussions. In particular I will challenge the traditional view that species deserve our ethical regard simply in virtue of being valuable full stop (due to their intrinsic value). In contrast to this I will propose a preliminary exploration of what follows if we adopt a more anthropocentric line regarding this issue.

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The Arctic Seminars is a forum for interdisciplinary discussions on research perspectives in the Arctic region. The presenters in the Seminar series come from a variety of disciplines across the four faculties involved in ARC. All interested are welcome to participate. There will be coffee and tea during the seminar.