Willem Bouten on Coupled Human-Natural Systems

"Today’s sustainability challenges can only be understood and managed if we study human and natural domains as connected and interacting components of one integrated system." Willem Bouten aims to advance this type of research at IAS as Scientific Lead of the theme: Coupled Human-Natural Systems.

New fellows selected

Over the past months several new fellows have been selected. Among them is UvA-researcher Jill Coster van Voorhout, who has recently won two innovation awards for her research on financial investigative methods that aim to detect potential victims of human trafficking for labor exploitation in bank data.

Social Complexity: Mapping an Innovative Field of Study

On 31 March, Brian Castellani and Lasse Gerrits will kick-off their fellowship with a lecture. They will provide an overview of the innovations and challenges the study of
social complexity presently faces, and will
discuss with the audience how the latter can
be addressed to help advance this research
as a mature field of study.

**Lecture: The Social Complexity Atlas**

**IAS excellence students 2020 selected**

We have selected nine Master's students from diverse fields (e.g. Art Studies, Artificial Intelligence, Comparative Cultural Analysis, Computational Science, Psychology, Sociology) to join the IAS research community and work on their final thesis at the institute. The best and most original thesis will be awarded with a prize.

**Selected students and topics**

**Eight PhD projects on Urban Mental Health start**

This spring eight PhD candidates will start their interdisciplinary research projects at the Center for Urban Mental Health. They will focus on psychological problems and conditions - such as depression, anxiety and addiction - among individuals and (vulnerable) groups in the city. The research will be partially based at the IAS.

**PhD candidates and their projects**

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