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CONFERENCE

An international conference on art, ecology, and relational thinking

RELATIONAL ECOLOGIES:

POSTHUMANIST PERSPECTIVES ON CLIMATE,
ARTS, AND MORE-THAN-HUMAN WORLDS

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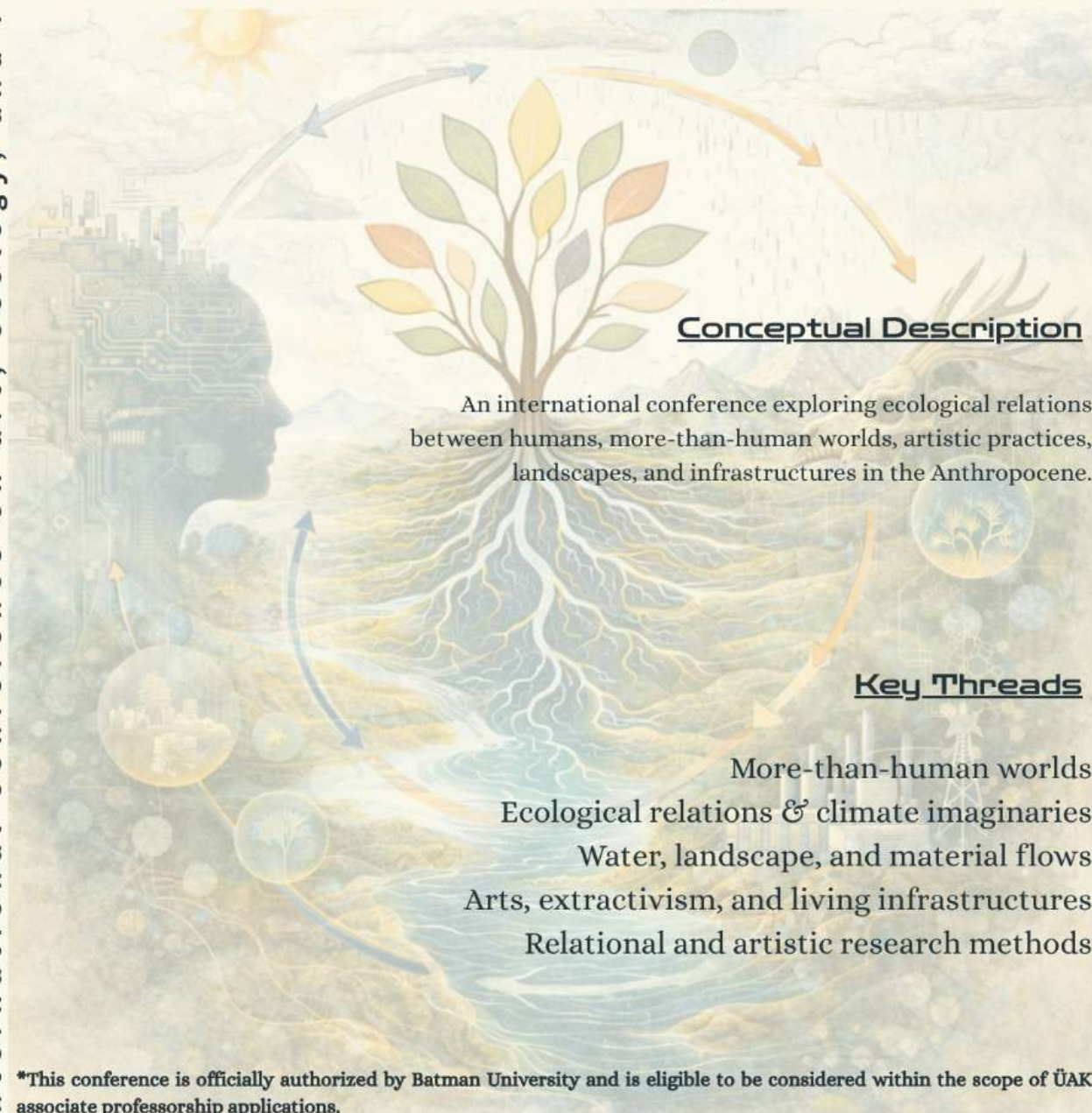
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Conceptual Description

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Key Threads

- More-than-human worlds
- Ecological relations & climate imaginaries
- Water, landscape, and material flows
- Arts, extractivism, and living infrastructures
- Relational and artistic research methods

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KONFERANS

Sanat, ekoloji ve ilişkisel düşünce üzerine uluslararası konferans

İLİŞKİSEL EKOLOJİLER:

İKLİM, SANAT VE POST-HÜMANİST
PERSPEKTİFLER

Uluslararası Kültürel Çalışmalar Konferansı
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İlişkisel Ekolojiler:

İklim, Sanat ve Post-Hümanist Perspektifler

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Kavramsal Tanım

Antroposen çağında insan, insan-ötesi dünyalar, sanatsal pratikler, peyzajlar ve altyapılar arasındaki ekolojik ilişkileri inceleyen uluslararası bir konferans.

Ana Konular

İnsan-ötesi dünyalar
Ekolojik ilişkiler ve iklim tahayyülleri
Su, peyzaj ve maddî akışlar
Sanat, ekstraktivizm ve yaşayan altyapılar
İlişkisel ve sanatsal araştırma yöntemleri

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"We are entangled in relations beyond the human."

ECOLOGIES OF RELATION CONFERENCE

Themes

1. Theoretical & Conceptual Approaches
2. Ecologies of Water, Climate & Infrastructure
3. Arts, Landscape & Cultural Practices
4. Methods & Interdisciplinary Encounters

Deadlines:

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Call for Papers

Relational Ecologies explores how human, more-than-human, and technological systems are entangled within ecological, cultural, and political processes in the Anthropocene. Moving beyond human-centered perspectives, it examines climate, water, infrastructure, food systems, and artistic practices as relational and interdependent forces shaping collective life and planetary futures.

Grounded in posthumanist and environmental humanities approaches, the conference brings theoretical debates into dialogue with artistic and interdisciplinary research.



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Conference Language

The official languages of the conference are **English** and **Turkish**.

Conference Themes

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- Posthumanist and more-than-human theories
- Anthropocene and climate debates
- Geontologies and geontopower
- Philosophy of animals and multispecies thinking

2. Ecologies of Water, Climate & Infrastructure

- Water ontologies and hydro-social relations
- Climate change, adaptation, and resilience
- Infrastructures of life (water, energy, food, waste)
- Urban, rural, and hydro-ecologies
- Infrastructural power, strategic chokepoints, and climate geopolitics

3. Arts, Landscape & Cultural Practices

- Experimental arts, moving image, and sound
- Art, extractivism, and landscape
- Literature and ecological imaginaries
- Food sovereignty, land, and multispecies relations

4. Methods & Interdisciplinary Encounters

- Interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary climate research
- Artistic research and practice-based methods
- Situated, relational, and participatory approaches

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Venue

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