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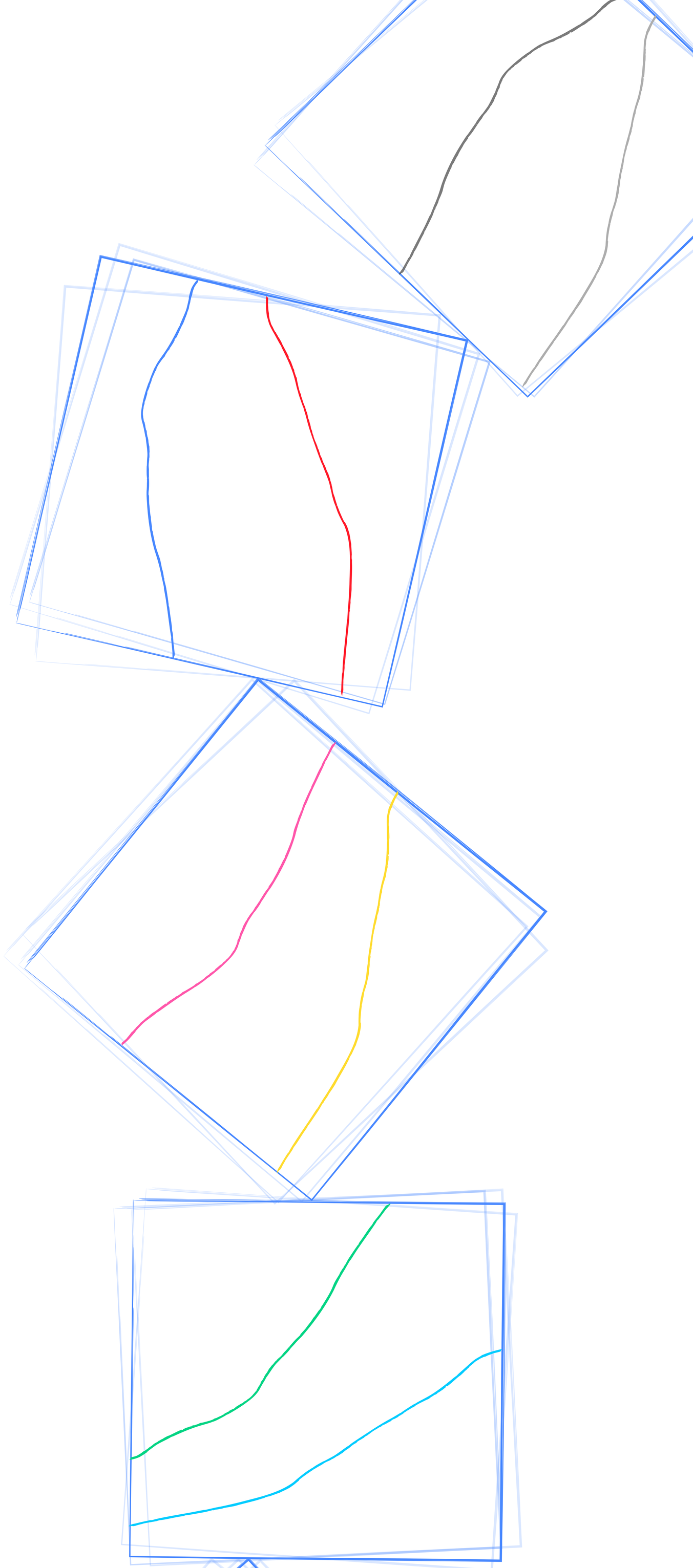

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The 3rd International Symposium on Anthropocene Studies
September 30 - Oct 1, 2025

Day 1: September 30 (Tue)

Venue: KAIST N26-101 Auditorium

9:30 -10:00	**REGISTRATION**	
10:00 -10:20	**WELCOMING REMARKS**	
	Moderator: Buhm Soon Park (KAIST) Speakers: Kenji Tanaka (Professor, Kyoto University) Jan Zalasiewicz (Professor Emeritus, University of Leicester)	
10:20 -12:00	**KEYNOTES - THE GREAT ACCELERATION AND THE ANTHROPOCENE**	
	Moderator: Seokkyun Woo (KAIST)	
	Great Acceleration!? – Signature of the Anthropocene or Open Research Program	Jürgen Renn, Jochen Büttner Max Planck Institute of Geoanthropology
	Accelerated *and* Compressed: Challenges of East Asian Modernity in the Anthropocene	Buhm Soon Park Center For Anthropocene Studies, KAIST
12:00 -13:00	**LUNCH**	
13:00 -15:00	**SESSION 1 - PROVINCIALIZING THE ANTHROPOCENE**	
	Moderator: Jongsik Christian Yi (KAIST)	
	Provincialization as a Practice of Planetary Thinking	Jihye Kim KAIST
	Ferality and Dark Tourism: Patch-Based Learning in the Anthropocene	Saerom Ahn, Jihye Kim, Hanbyeol Jang, Buhm Soon Park KAIST
	Damming Landscapes of East Asia: The Vertical Politics of Dams in the Anthropocene	Hanbyeol Jang, Sunmin Kim KAIST, Kyoto University
	Energy Futures under Digital Dominion: Strategic Data Centers, Energy Data, and the Struggle for Equitable Transitions	Dasom Lee KAIST
15:00 -15:30	**COFFEE BREAK**	
15:30 -17:30	**SESSION 2 - EXPANDING ANTHROPOCENE STUDIES**	
	Moderator: Hanah Sung (KAIST)	
	The Emergence of Anthropocene Studies: Field Formation Between Integration and Fragmentation	Seokkyun Woo KAIST
	Matters of Normative Science: Historical Understanding of the Anthropocene Controversy	Kyungbin Koh, Buhm Soon Park KAIST
	Solar Geoengineering: The State of Research and Ongoing Debates	Anthony Harding Georgia Institute of Technology
	Electric Grid Vulnerability and Environmental Injustice: Evidence from High-Resolution Power Outage and Extreme Weather Events	Brian An Georgia Institute of Technology
17:30	**DINNER**	

Day 2: Oct 1 (Wed)

Venue: KAIST N26-101 Auditorium

10:00 -12:00	**SESSION 3 - ACCELERATING DISASTERS**	
	Moderator: Dasom Lee (KAIST)	
	Long-Term Hydrological Analysis in the Aral Sea Basin Considering the Development of Irrigated Cropland	Kenji Tanaka Kyoto University
	Observed Amplification of Flood Risk in Pakistan Driven by Changes in Inundation Extent and Human Settlement	Hyungjun Kim, Dasom Lee, Sunmin Kim KAIST, Kyoto University
	Impact Assessment of Climate Change on Extreme Water Disaster in the Anthropocene: A Large Ensemble Approach	Tomohiro Tanaka Kyoto University
	Analyzing the Impact of Urbanization on Flood Vulnerability through Recent Floods and Socio-Economic Data	Sunmin Kim, Hyungjun Kim Kyoto University, KAIST
12:00 -13:00	**LUNCH**	
13:00 -14:30	**SESSION 4 - TRANSFORMING MULTISPECIES RELATIONS**	
	Moderator: Julia Adeney Thomas (University of Notre Dame)	
	From Commune to Factory Farms: The Great Accelerations of Industrial Human-Animal Relations and the Metabolic Rift in China	Jongsik Christian Yi KAIST
	Local Waters, Planetary Flights: Baikal Teal after the Cheonsu Bay Reclamation	Hanah Sung KAIST
	Multispecies Making of the Anthropocene Landscape, the Cheorwon DMZ, 1920-2010	Myung-Ae Choi Yonsei University
14:30 -15:00	**COFFEE BREAK**	
15:00 -16:30	**KEYNOTES - FUTURES OF THE ANTHROPOCENE**	
	Moderator: Hyungjun Kim (KAIST)	
	Anthropocene Economics: Growth, Degrowth or Redundancy	Julia Adeney Thomas University of Notre Dame
	The Anatomy of the Anthropocene	Jan Zalasiewicz University of Leicester
16:30 -17:30	**ROUNDTABLE - THE GREAT ACCELERATION AS METHOD**	
	Moderator: Buhm Soon Park (KAIST) Panel Conversation: Jürgen Renn, Jochen Büttner, Julia Adeney Thomas, Jan Zalasiewicz, Sunmin Kim, Hyungjun Kim Open Discussion: All participants	
17:30	**DINNER**	