



## Ruling on Nature

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salle A202 (2<sup>e</sup> étage)

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Encounters along the Jungly Border:  
Authority and Negotiated Livelihoods around Panna Tiger Reserve in Central India

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For those living along the borders of Panna Tiger Reserve, daily life involves interactions and encounters with conservation officials and officers, sometimes as neighbours, even as friends, but often via conflict relating to the curtailment and prohibition of traditionally forest-dependent livelihoods. This presentation will draw on 17 months of ethnographic research between 2016 and 2018 living on the reserve border to explore the negotiation of livelihoods and the assertion of forest department authority in a context of ever-increasing state attempts to eradicate village life from a landscape set aside for conservation. It will analyse what this means for the future lives of the village people and their animals as well as the conservation people and their animals as a fast-approaching river-linking project seeks to drastically alter the landscape upon which all depend.

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