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François Gemenne is a specialist of environmental geopolitics and migration governance at the University of Liège, where he is a FNRS senior research associate and the Director of the Hugo Observatory. He also heads the Observatory on Defence and Climate of the French Ministry of Defence, jointly with Julia Tasse at IRIS. He is a lead author for the IPCC and he also lectures on climate change and migration policies in different universities, including Sciences Po and Sorbonne University in Paris.

His research deals mostly with environmental and migration governance. He has worked in particular on populations displaced by environmental changes and the policies of adaptation to climate change, as well as on asylum and migration policies. He has conducted field studies in New Orleans after hurricane Katrina, Tuvalu, China, Kyrgyzstan, the Maldives, Mauritius, as well as in Japan after the Fukushima disaster.

He holds a joint doctorate in political science from Sciences Po Paris and the University of Liege (Belgium). He also holds a Master's degree in Development, Environment and Societies from the University of Louvain, as well as a Master of Research in Political Science from the London School of Economics, where he also taught. In 2008, he was awarded a post-doctoral scholarship from the AXA Research Fund. He has published in leading journals, including Science and Global Environmental Change, and has authored several books, amongst which “The Anthropocene and the Global Environmental Crisis” (edited with C. Hamilton and C. Bonneuil, Routledge 2015) the Atlas of Environmental Migration (with D. Ionesco et D. Mokhnacheva, Routledge 2016) or Handbook of Environmental Displacement and Migration (edited with R. McLeman, Routledge 2018).
Mathieu Fromentin is policy officer at the European Commission’s Directorate-General on Research & Innovation. His work covers transition analysis, as well as international cooperation and coordination efforts for the directorates Healthy Planet and Clean Planet. He graduated in political sciences at Sciences Po and at the College of Europe in Bruges, where he studied European Affairs. His work focused on energy and environment-related policies.

Alexander Hasgall is Head of the EUA Council for Doctoral Education (EUA-CDE). He is responsible for the largest European network in this field, covering 36 countries and bringing together a community of academic leaders and professionals from over 250 universities awarding doctoral degrees and institutions working on issues related to doctoral education and research training.
Lorie Hamelin, laureate of the 2017 French presidential climate call “Make our planet great again” (Project Cambioscop), heads a research team at the Federal University of Toulouse. Her research focuses on the environmental performance of strategies to transit towards a low fossil carbon economy, at national and regional scales. Counting with 14 years of research experience in Canada, Denmark, Poland and France, she developed early methods for life cycle assessments of land use changes, biogas & overall manure management systems (PhD 2013), headed 3 work packages of EU projects related to Life Cycle Assessments and is advisor to the Swedish Biogas Research Centre. She supervised 12 PhD students (6 on-going), 7 postdocs, and several M.Sc. projects.

Tanguy Fardet explores pathways to make agri-food ecosystems more circular and sustainable by improving usage of organic matter from urban areas within the OCAPI program. He considers how organic matter (from food residues to human urine and feces) may be converted into amendment and fertilizer to bring the nutrients they contain back to agricultural parcels. He uses modeling and graph analysis to investigate the logistics networks and the dynamics that could be associated to these resources. Within the OCAPI program, they work with members of the civil society to design and test actual implementations.
Gwenaël Imfeld is CNRS research director in environmental biogeochemistry at the Institut Terre et Environnement of Strasbourg (ITES, UMR7063). He specializes in the transformation of pollutants and microbial ecology in continental hydrosystems. His research group focuses on the hydrology of contaminants at the scale of the agricultural watershed and the reactive transport of industrial solvents and micropollutants. Current projects use isotopic, hydrological and biomolecular approaches to understand the fate of pesticides in soils, rivers, wetlands and aquifers, at scales ranging from elementary processes understood in microcosms, laboratory experiments and field studies. He directs the Research Federation on Environment and Sustainability (FERED).

Thomas Lauvaux, chair professor at the University of Reims in climate sciences, develops monitoring systems based on atmospheric data to support climate policies at national and city scales. These systems combine atmospheric greenhouse gas measurements and numerical weather models to inform in real time how vegetation and human activities impact the carbon cycle.
Guillaume Jubeaux has a classic university course (LMD) with a thesis at Irstea (Lyon-Villeurbanne ecotoxicology laboratory) between 2008 and 2012 on the development and use of vitellogenin measurement in gammarus (crustaceans from water) as a marker of endocrine disruption. He then co-founded the Biomae laboratory in 2014 to promote the tools resulting from the research work of Irstea (now INRAE). Since then, he has been working on the operational and large-scale deployment of in situ bioassays based on the caging of gammarus for water agencies, local authorities and industrialists seeking to assess the chemical contamination and toxic impact of aquatic environments (in particular under the Directice Cadre Eau). He also participates in standardization projects for these methods (AFNOR, ISO) and the development of other applications in ecotoxicology.

Anthony Lehmann was a pioneer in the field of Species Distribution Modeling. He works on the use of eco-hydrological modeling to inform decision-making. He coordinated the FP7 enviroGRIDS project on the Black Sea catchment and the H2020 GEOEssential project on geoprocessing workflows linking Earth Observation to policy indicators with Essential Variables. He coordinated the SNF SWATCH21 project on eco-hydrological modeling of Swiss rivers. He is associate editor for the journal Environmental Sciences & Policy, co-edited the MOOC on Ecosystem Services and was leading the local organization of an International Ecology conference in Geneva in August 2022.
Amine Chemchem earned his B.S. in computer science from the University of Jijel in 2009. He then continued his education at USTHB, where he received an M.S. in intelligent computer systems in 2011 and a Ph.D. in computer science in 2015. His Ph.D. thesis focused on developing a new concept of knowledge mining for intelligent agents. After graduation, Amine worked as a lecturer at Saad Dahleb University. In 2018, Amine was admitted as a post-doctoral researcher at the University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne, specializing in Artificial Intelligence, machine learning, and high-performance computing. Since November 2020, Amine has been working as a data scientist at Atos, where he is recognized as a senior expert in AI.

Congduc Pham is a Professor of Computer Science at the University of Pau (France). His current research interests include wireless sensor networking, Internet of Thing and congestion control/resource allocation. In H2020 WAZIUP and H2020 WAZIHUB, he was the scientific expert on Internet-of-Thing and LoRa technology and developed the LoRa IoT generic framework used in various projects. In H2020 HUBIQUITOUS he is leading the deployment of SolutionLab for providing access to IoT and AI disruptive technologies in Digital Innovation Hubs in Africa. He is also coordinating the PRIMA INTEL-IRRIS project on smart irrigation for smallholders and PRIMA RESILINK to increase smallholder’s resilience. Both projects target digital platforms, IoT and AI technologies to address smallholder’s concerns.
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