## Towards a post-apocalyptic environmentalism

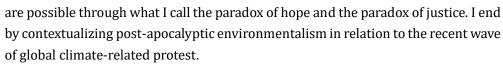
Responses to loss and visions of the future in climate activism

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The environmental movement has long been dominated by apocalyptic images of future catastrophes. This discourse is today challenged by the rise of 'post-apocalyptic' environmentalism based on the experience of irreversible or unavoidable loss. This discourse is neither nourished by a strong sense of hope, nor of a future disaster, but a sense that the catastrophe is already on-going and unstoppable, thus provoking the question of what makes activists mobilize in the absence of hope. In my talk I explore the notion of post-apocalyptic politics by focusing on how the utopias brought into play by activists are deployed in political mobilizations. I focus on two cases of climate activism – the Dark Mountain project and the International Tribunal for the Rights of Nature (ITRN) – and argue that their mobilizations



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