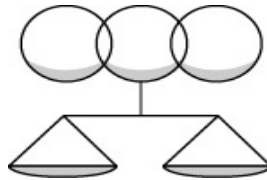


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Isolation and Impersonal Interaction in a Digital, Post-Pandemic Society: Interdisciplinary Analysis of the Effects on Cooperation and Trust

PlumpJack Inn

Palisades Tahoe (formerly Squaw Valley), California

April 16 – 19, 2023

Organizers:

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Arrival Day (Sunday, April 16)

6:30pm Reception and Dinner

Day 1 (Monday, April 17)

7:30am Breakfast

9:00am Welcome and Introductions

Monika Cheney, Oliver Goodenough, Andrew Torrance & Isabel Behncke

9:30am Session I: Pressures on Isolation: from Parasites to the Digital World

Chair: Lydia Hopper

Speakers: Paul Ewald, Holly Swain Ewald, Penny Riggs, Carlos Bustamante, Isabel Behncke

Sample Topics:

- Persistent Parasites
- Insights re: SARS-CoV-2
- Infectious Disease in Humans: Evolutionary Perspectives
- Technologies of the 21st Century, Pathogens and Human Isolation

Noon Lunch

1:00-2:15 pm Session II: Impacts of Isolation on Human Behavior

Chair: Monika Cheney

Speakers: Lydia Hopper, Celeste Kidd, Kate Talbot

Sample Topics:

- Impacts of Isolation on Health/Mental Health and Human Development
- Impacts of Isolation on Cooperation and Trust
- Impacts of Isolation on Family and Reproduction

2:15-4:00pm Session III: Impacts of Isolation on Institutions and Impacts of Institutions on Isolation (Continues Tuesday morning)

Chair: Bill Casebeer

Speakers: Debra Lieberman, Sam Arbesman, Jevin West, Kevin McCabe, Bill Casebeer, Pete Richerson, Stephen Caines

Sample Topics:

- Impacts of Isolation on Leadership
- Impacts of Isolation on Innovation
- Impacts of Isolation on Work and Education and Cities/How We Live
- Impacts of Isolation on Economic Systems/Markets
- Human Isolation in Anthropological Context

** Breaks taken as needed

6:30 Reception & Dinner

Day 2 (Tuesday, April 15)

7:30am Breakfast

9:00-10:00am Session III: Impacts of Isolation on Institutions CONTINUED

10:00-Noon Session IV: Exploring the Impact of Social Media/Communication Platforms, Artificial Intelligence (e.g. ChatGPT) and Other Future Technologies on Human Isolation, Cooperation and Trust

Chair: Oliver Goodenough

Speakers: Pam Dixon, Peter Winn, David Gilmour, Kelly Jo MacArthur, Megan Ma, John Chisholm, Beatrice Marone, Reuben Youngblom

Sample Topics:

- Social Media and Human Isolation: Cause or Effect?
- Effects of Social Media, ChatGPT, AI and Other Future Technologies on Isolation, Trust and Cooperation
- Future Design of Technology in the "Attention Economy:" Are There Any Incentives for Designing Technology That Does Not Isolate and/or that Promotes Cooperation and Trust?

Noon Lunch

1:00-3:30pm Session V: Policy Analysis: Implications for Isolation, Cooperation and Trust in Our Increasingly Digital Society -- from Technology-Enabled Isolation to Pandemics and Other States of Emergency

Chair: Andrew Torrance

Speakers: Dan Katz, Rebecca Purdom, Andrew Morriss, Oliver Goodenough, Andrew Torrance, Amedeo Santosuosso

Sample Topics:

- What Policies and Practices Might Alleviate the Negative Impacts of Isolation in Our Digital Society?
- How to Incorporate Costs and Benefits of Isolation in Decision Making?
- What Policies Ought We Employ in the Face of the Next Rogue Pathogen or other State of Emergency?

** Breaks taken as needed

6:30 Wine Reception & Festive Dinner

Day 3 (Wednesday, April 19) – Departure Noon

7:30am Breakfast

9:00am - 10:30am Session VI: Open Forum for Current Projects (sign up for time with Organizers)

10:30 - 11:30am Debrief Session

Noon Departure/Check-Out