Eco health webinar series - edition #1
"Interdisciplinarity, complexity and how to devise solutions for ‘wicked’ problems such as climate change and health" with Prof Coyan Tromp.
14 Sep 2020 14:00 - 15:00

2020 will be remembered as the year when a ‘simple’ virus affected all spheres of life of very many people, with disastrous consequences all over the world. In essence, the COVID-19 pandemic is an example of how systemic approaches to health and health problems are central not only to health research, but also to policymaking and the development of effective and equitable policies for the challenges we are currently facing in our societies.
ITM’s Ecohealth group is organising a seminar series in which speakers will discuss current challenges such as climate change, globalisation, urbanisation and emerging diseases, and illustrate how systems approaches can be applied to better understand the issues, analyse their root causes and inform solutions.

The seminar is open to ITM staff, students and alumni. Interested members of the public can participate upon registration.

First seminar:

On 14 September 2020, Prof Coyan Tromp from the Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies of the University of Amsterdam will speak about “the role of Complexity Thinking in dealing with ‘wicked’ health problems”.

Register in advance on Zoom.

About the Ecohealth group

The Ecohealth group brings together researchers from ITM’s 3 departments, from eco-epidemiology, infectious disease control, clinical medicine, political science, anthropology and health systems). The group adopts a whole systems approach to making sense of health and health problems. Its starting point is the dynamic interactions between human, social, biological, ecological and political systems and how that affects the health of people. This in turn demands a transdisciplinary approach and the active engagement and participation of key stakeholders in order to co-create solutions for transformative, sustainable and equitable change.

Speakers

- Prof Coyan Tromp teaches Philosophy of Science, Futures Thinking, Interdisciplinary Methodology and 21st Century Skills at the Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies of the University of Amsterdam. She is also curriculum developer, and co-designer of the Interdisciplinary Bachelor’s Programme Future Planet Studies and the Minor Science for Sustainability.