Greening Criminology: From Environmental Crime Prevention to Global Climate Justice

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In this seminar Professor South suggests that environmental issues and anthropogenic causes of crime and harm are being taken increasingly seriously in criminology. This presentation will survey some of this growing field of work, moving from an outline of crime-prevention approaches that can address both natural environmental and socio-spatial offending and harms, to recent discussions of ‘everyday ecocide’ (Agnew, 2013) and the significance of ‘the Anthropocene’ for criminology (Shearing, 2015). It concludes with consideration of the challenge of climate change and prospects for an international law of ecocide.

Nigel South is a Professor in the Department of Sociology and Director, Centre for Criminology, at the University of Essex. With Avi Brisman, he is co-editor of the Routledge International Handbook of Green Criminology (2013), co-author of Green Cultural Criminology (2014), and both are co-editors (with Rob White) of Environmental Crime and Social Conflict: Contemporary and Emerging Issues (2015). In 2013 he received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Division on Critical Criminology of the American Society of Criminology. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences and Adjunct Prof. in the School of Justice at Queensland Univ. of Technology, Brisbane.

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