

ABOUT THE SERIES



This series addresses two trends: critical conversations in academic fields about nature, sustainability, globalization, and culture, including constructive engagements between researchers within the natural, social, and human sciences; and intellectual and political conversations among those in social movements and other nonacademic knowledge producers about alternative practices and socionatural worlds. The objective of the series is to establish a synergy between these theoretical and political developments in both academic and nonacademic arenas. This synergy is a *sine qua non* for new thinking about the real promise of emergent ecologies. The series includes works that envision more lasting and just ways of being-in-place and being-in-networks with a diversity of humans and other living and nonliving beings.

New Ecologies for the Twenty-First Century aims to promote a dialogue between those who are transforming the understanding of the relationship between nature and culture. The series revisits existing fields such as environmental history, historical ecology, envi-

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