



The Economic Geography and  
Hydrology & Climate units invite to  
the following presentation:

**Dr. Madelaine Moore**  
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**Date / Time**  
Tuesday, October 10th, 2023  
at 16:00 hrs

**Location**  
Room Y25-H-79  
Winterthurerstrasse 190, Zurich



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**Water Struggles as Resistance to  
Neoliberal Capitalism: A Time of  
Reproductive Unrest**  
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#### **Abstract**

Madelaine Moore's research explores the global water crisis and the ways that communities have resisted the expansion of the water commodity frontier. Her new book 'Water Struggles as resistance to neoliberal capitalism: a time of reproductive unrest' (Manchester University Press) has two central foci, first, the critical role of expropriation (of water, but also nature and social reproduction more broadly) for capitalist reproduction. The second, is the forms of agency that emerge in response to these dynamics. In bringing the Irish water charges protests and resistance to unconventional gas expansion in Australia into dialogue, she highlights the tension between life-making and profit-making that defines the new water commodity frontier. She shows how the global water crisis is about more than access or management of a resource. What is at stake are the social relations and institutions that allow water grabs and the crisis to occur.

The presentation will be organised also remotely. Interested persons can participate using zoom:

#### **Zoom-Link**

<https://uzh.zoom.us/j/65146062158?pwd=ckEvUVFuY1h1bFNYeENyTkgyOWdEdz09>

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