

Inner Asia in the Anthropocene: Towards a Global Environmental History

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Abstract:

This lecture surveys the trade in animals and plants to offer a preliminary outline of Inner Asia's role in global environmental history in the modern era. The lecture makes three connected arguments. First, Inner Asia was connected with regions as far flung as the Pacific and East Africa. Second, these connections caused lasting and profound environmental change in those distant regions, change that marked the origins of the Anthropocene. Third, both Inner Asia and the broader world are living with the consequences of those changes today.



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