

## ISSM MEETINGS 2019

# John McNeill

## Between History and Autobiography

“The human race, without intending anything of the sort, has undertaken a gigantic uncontrolled experiment on the earth. In time, I think, this will appear as the most important aspect of twentieth-century history, more so than World War II, the communist enterprise, the rise of mass literacy, the spread of democracy, or the growing emancipation of women. To see just how prodigal and peculiar the century was it helps to adopt long perspectives of the deeper past”.

John McNeill, *Something new under the Sun. An Environmental History of the Twentieth-Century World*, 2000

## RELATORE OSPITE

### NAPOLI

**06 | 05 | 2019 | ore 10.00**

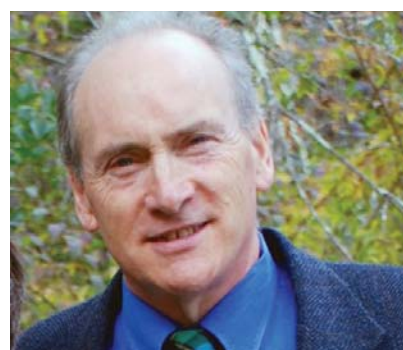
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John Robert McNeill is an American environmental historian, professor at Georgetown University. He is a pioneer for the study of environmental history. Between his most famous books *Mountains of the Mediterranean world. An environmental History* (1992), *Something New Under the Sun. An Environmental History of the Twentieth Century World* (2000) and *The Great Acceleration An Environmental History of Anthropocene* (2016 with Peter Engelke).

#### Opening remarks

**Edoardo Massimilla** (Director of the Department of Humanities, University of Naples Federico II) and **Salvatore Capasso** (Director of the Institute of Studies on Mediterranean Society of the National Council of Research, CNR-ISSM)

#### Discussion and Q&A Session

**Elisabetta Bini** (University of Naples Federico II, Department of Humanities) and **Gabriella Corona** (CNR-ISSM and University of Naples Federico II, Department of Humanities) lead the discussion and the final Q&A session.

Participating students of the Historical Sciences Course  
(University of Naples Federico II, Department of Humanities):

**Carlotta Carpentieri, Salvatore de Lucia,  
Domenico Iadanza, Andrea Vuolo**

