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*Ecopolitics: planetary governmentality, new institutionalizations and resistances in the society of control.*

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This thematic research project is related to the genealogical analysis of power. Its primary objective is to analyze the shift from biopolitics – control over the life of the population - in the disciplinary society, to ecopolitics – control over the life of the planet – in the society of control, with special interest in Brazil. The project is currently dealing with a way to exercise control that is less interested in the utility and docility of the body than it is interested in its intelligence; which surpasses determined boundaries, provokes events in continuous spaces, and participates in the production and in the decision in a programmatic manner. The ongoing institutionalization presents itself as an aspect of the society of control in which democratic practices prevail. In this sense, the research is shifted from the relation power-knowledge to government-truth and takes the researcher out of the clear relation surface-depth, based on gravity, to the same relation in the sidereal space, where surfaces vary according to a perspective. The discussion on the notion of ecopolitics will encompass cartographic fluxes of singular and intermittent resistances from the perspective of its emergences, captures and lines of escape. The research will be undertaken by singular movements contiguous to fluxes of multiplicities among rights, security, environment, penalizations in open air. The research will articulate two movements of fluxes: mapping of unfinished institutionalizations and cartography of singular and intermittent resistances.

**Summary of results: initial characterizations and shifts**

**Planetary governmentality:** collection and analysis of international declarations, charters, treaties, conventions and plans that guide government programs in Brazil; mapping international NGOs based in Brazil; study of the relevance of

sustainable development and its implications towards populations, poverty, security, environment and rights; analyze the relations among state, companies and NGOs; the consolidation of ecology as a field of knowledge and its relations with the government of truth; preliminary delimitations of the government of conducts based on the experience of the *cares*, connected to mental, social, environmental ecological cares. Initial characterization of the shift from biopolitics into ecopolitics.

**New institutionalizations:** effects of the enhancement of democracy into negative liberty translated by the multiplicity of penalizations, into laws, norms and recommendations, producing an enhancement of judicialization and the impossibility of a plethora of rights in dealing with situations in which many people live around the planet; the ecology and the concern with the care of the planet as a way to the constitution of international organizations that gather national governments, scientists, environmental activists, NGOs and companies, pointing out the need to regulate a safe and democratic global civil society, capable of reducing vulnerabilities and miseries through the dissemination of individual, social and environmental responsibility. Initial characterization of the shift from the defense of society into the defense of the planet.

**Resistances in the society of control:** study of the processes of capture of resistances that seek alternatives; reshaping the alternative into collaborative participation; situation of the anarchist resistance nowadays; convergence between ecological practices of resistance and participation, as an expression of the efficient functioning of the society of control's devices to transform protests and uprisings into government of shared, tolerant and creative conducts. Initial characterization of the shift from counter-positioning and counter-conducts into capture of intelligent energies.

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The thematic project *Ecopolitics* has development of several outputs that include:

- **Public conversations**, *Memories of dictatorship and the courage of truth* (April/May 2010)
- **DVD**, *carmem junqueira-kamaiurá a antropologia MENOR* (August, 2010)
- **TV Series**, *ágora, agora 3* composed of seven programs: ecology, food, housing, depolicize, university, ágora and agora [now] (Exhibited on Canal Universitário in October/November 2010)
- **Play-class** [*Aula-teatro*], *terr@* (October 2010)

- **Monthly bulletin**, *hypomnemata* (ongoing since March 2010, available at <http://www.nu-sol.org/hypomnemata/hypomnematas.php>)
- **Weekly communication**, *flecheira libertária – nu-sol weekly commentaries on people, things and the planet* (ongoing since March 2010, available at <http://www.nu-sol.org/flecheira/flecheira.php>)

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