Issue 10.3
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Issue 10.3. is out now!

The final volume of issue 10 contains contributions that focus on a wide range of domains and problematics—environment, extractivism, airpollution, climate change, digitalization, automation, care, surveillance—that offer a thought-provoking commentary on the many issues that inhabit contemporary intersections of science, technology, and society. It seems more than ever, we need sharp analyses that can help us understand, too, the ways global and national power struggles leverage and impact specific knowledge communities. We also give our thanks to our funders and reviewers that have helped sustain a creative volume for 2024.

It has been an incredible privilege and learning opportunity for our editorial collective to have been responsible for steering the journal since 2020, and we look forward now to seeing further developments and rearticulations of *ESTS* in the hands of new editors.
• **Deadline to apply** is March 31, 2025. More details can be found at the following link.

This issue includes seven *Original Research Articles* (ORAs) and one Perspectives contribution. *Original Research Articles* by Sophia Jaworski and Thomas De Pree examine the invisibilization of local knowledge in dominant technoscientific paradigms. Dimas Dwi Laksmana also focuses on local knowledge, in the form of farmers' embodied knowledge. Caroline Anna Salling and James Maguire focus on an increasingly prominent source of energy consumption, vast datacenters that are powering digital economies globally. Sylvia Kühne and Bettina Paul examine continuities between human-centred security measures at airports and their envisioned automated equivalents in the laboratory in Germany. Aaron Shapiro and MC Forelle examine the assetization of consumer vehicles. Naonori Kodate, Pranav Kohli, Yurie Maeda, Kazuko Obayashi, David Prendergast, and Shigeru Masuyama—compare and contrast the deployment and use of care robots in two residential care homes in Ireland and Japan during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The entry in the *Perspectives* genre originates by [Annalisa Pelizza, Chiara Loschi, Lorenzo Olivieri, Paul Trauttmansdorff, and Wouter Van Rossem](#) is based on findings from a European Research Council (ERC)-funded project, "Processing Citizenship." The manifesto outlines ten principles for policymakers and IT professionals to hold to account datafication practices and infrastructures that are increasingly being deployed to track people on the move.

It is with deep sadness in our editorial, that we pay our respects to the passing of Professor Sandra Harding. Sandra Harding's work in feminism, philosophy, and STS has been pivotal to shaping STS over several decades. Harding's response to Sharon Traweek's Bernal Prize acceptance speech, "Working at the Edges of Institutions during their Transformations," ([2021](#)) featured in our Editorial Collective's first volume in 2021, and has been very influential in our thinking about publishing STS scholarship.

Pledging campaign update. We are grateful to the 20+ institutions that have supported us over 2023 and 2025. Check out updates on the Open Access Community Investment Program (OACIP) [pledging campaign](#) website.

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