

Future-Making as a Mode of Governance

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Politics is generally regarded as a struggle for power in a situated present, with parties seeking control over goods, resources, lives, and other forms of capital. Modern science and technology, however, have shifted the temporal horizon of political struggle from the present to the future, with significant implications for social order. In her talk, Sheila Jasanoff explores the ways in which sociotechnical imaginaries, or shared visions of futures have given rise to new forms of politics.

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