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CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES ON ANIMALS AND COLONIALISM

Virtual lecture series organized and moderated by **Alexandra Isfahani-Hammond** (University of California, San Diego) and **Federica Timeto** (Ca' Foscari University of Venice), in collaboration with the Environmental Humanities Degree, Ca' Foscari University of Venice

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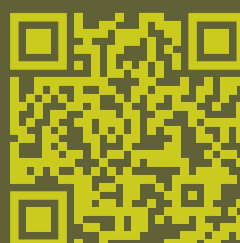
12.00 p.m. ET; 2.00 a.m. JST (March 8); 4:00 a.m. AEST (March 8)

Irus Braverman (The State University of New York)

***The New Jewish Shepherd: The Great Battle of
Pastorship in Area C of the Israeli-Occupied West Bank***

The talk will explore the recent deployment of sheep and grazing practices by Jewish settlers for advancing settler ecologies in the Israeli-occupied West Bank. The Jewish takeover of land via sheep, which started a mere decade ago, has picked up its pace recently and is becoming the largest land grab in the occupied West Bank since 1967. Drawing on ethnographic fieldwork, Braverman reveals the central features of the new shepherding "revolution," as the settlers call it, situating this phenomenon amidst sheep-related practices in other settler colonial settings. More broadly, Braverman provides a contemporary

portrayal of the role of more-than-humans in Israel's ecological warfare. She argues that wild and domestic animals and plants lie at the heart of the state's settler colonial regime, naturalizing and washing the violence promoted in their name.



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