**Part I: Doctoral Winter School 2021 -- Assignment**

This assignment has two parts:

1. 15/20-minute **presentation** to group + discussion on Friday 26 February (2 ECTS);
2. **Optional extension essay**, 1500-2000 words, deadline Friday 19 March, 2355h (1 ECTS).

Your **presentation** may focus on one or more issues from the following list in relation to your personal field of research:

* orgin myths
* current trajectories
* disciplinary impossibilities
* ontological openings
* blind spots
* grey areas
* straw actors
* resistant objects
* action points
* anything else

These will be explained at the beginning of the week.

In other words, the presentation is an opportunity for you to dig around in the map you created through the week of the Winter School. You are encouraged to focus on parts that cause friction or open up possibilities for your research.

Is there a key text that you find problematic or generative? And how does it propel your work forwards? Are there current deficiencies in disciplinary fields that you are addressing? In what ways are you contributing to the development of a disciplinary field? What disciplinary complexities are at play with regards your research? Pick up one of these questions -- or others -- and run with it or them. Please be as focused and specific as you can. Use whatever visual support you judge appropriate to the presentation.

The optional **essay** is an opportunity for you to consolidate or revise your presentation in the light of the discussions we have. It is also a point where you articulate it in another way (writing is different from talking). It should be properly referenced and structured according to conventions (introduction, signposting, conclusion etc.). We hope that it is something you can use later on.