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Dear readers,

It is our pleasure to publish this special issue of *Global Histories: A Student Journal* themed around environmental history. This special issue, proposed by Dr. Frederik Schröer, gives us the opportunity to showcase the work of students from the MA Global History program at Freie Universität Berlin and Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin where our journal is based. The four research articles also reveal the varied work that can result from similar sources of inspiration, in this case Dr. Schröer's seminars Decolonizing Anthropocene Origins: Empire, Environment, and the "Invention of Nature" and Empire and Environment: The Origins of the Anthropocene in Global Colonial History. Additionally, they demonstrate a few of the many approaches that one can take to study global environmental history.

Likewise, this special issue has given our journal the opportunity for a creative and collaborative peer-review process, also proposed by Dr. Schröer, in which the authors worked together in an open review of all four research articles. This allowed for further discussion, development, and understanding of the themes in environmental history which the articles had organically shared. The authors elaborate on these common threads in their introduction to this issue.

We sincerely hope that you enjoy the latest issue of *Global Histories*.

Margaret Slevin
Editor in Chief

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