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Abstract Session 6.2 – Historical perspectives on policy, forest conservation, and environmental emergency.

Forest conservation policies are regularly answers to environmental emergencies. The following paper address this relationship historically, by exploring how past conservationists have connected environmental emergencies to certain values worthy of protection. The first case is the 1930s' "Fiby debate" which disputed whether the Swedish Fiby forest should be logged or distinguished as a nature reserve. The second case is the 2010s' "Ojnare debate" which argued whether the Swedish Ojnare forest should make room for a quarry or be separated as a nature reserve. Although the debates were based on clashes between conservation and exploitation interests, it is argued that the Fiby and Ojnare conservationists' relation to values and environmental emergencies differed significantly. The emergency driving the Fiby debate was the industrialization of national landscapes and loss of pristine lands. The conservationists' rationales were national and past-oriented, and primarily supported by "non-scalable" values (ungeneralizable and unquantifiable values). Of these, the most noteworthy were Swedishness, i.e., that the forest represented true Swedish nature. The emergency driving the Ojnare debate was the loss of biodiversity and degradation of, among other things, fresh water, however from an international point of view. Here, the conservationists' rationales were global and future-oriented, and primarily supported by "scalable" values (generalizable and quantifiable values)-such as biodiversity. These findings are related to a general historical shift in conservation and environmental thinking, known through previous research: on one hand, a turn from orientations towards past natural states to strivings to avoid future crises; on the other hand, a turn from a focus on unscalable values of nature to scalable counterparts.