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**Abstract:** *An Institutional Approach for Re-engaging with Sustainability in the Anthropocene Era* applies organization theory to a grand challenge: our entry into the Anthropocene era, a period marked by human impact not only on climate change, but also on chemical waste, habitat destruction, and other forms of ecosystem damage. We focus on institutional theory, modified by political readings of organizations, as one approach that can help us navigate a new course. Besides offering mechanisms, such as institutional entrepreneurship, social movements, and policy shifts, the institutional-political variant developed here helps analysts understand the framing of scientific facts, the counter-mobilization of skeptics, and the creation of archetypes as new social orders.

**Keywords:** Anthropocene, institutional theory, organization theory, political theory, sustainability

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