

## **“Passing the word along: spaces and flows between rumour, chatter, and spin”**

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Whether dismissed as rumor, marginalised as poetics , surveilled as chatter, or silenced as rebellion, the sounds of speech, and the flows of communication, provide occasions for power and authority to consolidate. This talk examines the space and flows of sounds’ passing as a crucial element of resistive practices within the current global economic and ecological crises. Drawing upon recent writings of Michel Serres’ and the echo-praxis of Occupy, it discusses the power of ‘passing the word along’ in countering the racket of Wall St, the gibberish of political spin, and the various enclosures that ubiquitous and affective computing, data-mining and a networked sociality enforce.