Geoengineering as collective experimentation

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As research has begun into geoengineering proposals, controversies over the politics of experimentation have proven surprising and, for social scientists, enlightening. In this talk, I will discuss the blurring of experimental boundaries in and describe some experiments in governance that have been proposed as a way to being a new discussion about responsible science and innovation. I use the term ‘collective experimentation’ to both describe what is going on and offer constructive ways forward.