

## South Asian Bioethics Community

**Date and Time: Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 7:00 pm IST/ 2.30pm CET**

### **Webinar: Birth Futures: Towards Ecosystems of Care**

**SOUTH ASIAN BIOETHICS COMMUNITY**  
**BIRTH FUTURES: TOWARDS**  
**AN ECO-SYSTEM OF CARE**

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In South Asian Bioethics Community’s upcoming webinar, the discussants will share the rationale and methodology of the Birth Futures project. They will then discuss the findings from the workshops conducted under this project in India.

#### **A Note from the Birth Futures Team**

Birth Futures reimagines the future of birth care. We guide diverse groups—including healthcare professionals, community members, and policymakers—through creative exercises and speculative design techniques.

#### Collect

We collect dreams and visions about the future of birth care from communities from the global south and north.

#### Weave

We weave the stories we collected from different communities into art installations that foster dialogue and critical reflection on the current care systems.

### Share

Results are analysed and transformed into a toolkit for healthcare professionals and policy makers to co-design a human-centered ecosystem of birth care.

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### **More about the Discussants**

Marjolein Pijnappels is the first Dutch futures ecologist. She interweaves the wisdom of nature with emerging technologies to reimagine our futures. In 2022 Marjolein initiated Birth Futures, a speculative program dedicated to reimagining birth care through innovative design and social dreaming. With researchers and midwives from the Critical Midwifery Studies Collective, she weaved together dreams for better birth by midwives, young parents, and healthcare professionals from diverse communities in India, Peru, and the Netherlands. The goal is to foster dialogue and collaboration across geographies and time to explore holistic, inclusive futures for birth. Marjolein's method for reimagining futures called Futures Ecologies has been recognised in the Dutch national manual Futures Thinking by Rijksbouwmeester.

Amritha R. Warriar is an AI animator and media ecologist based in Berlin with a decade of experience. Beginning her journey by drawing frames on paper with ink on a lightbox, she went on to explore diverse animation techniques, blending 2D, 3D, and hand-drawn elements, sometimes incorporating VR, AR, and AI. Inspired by personal experiences and studies in Media theory and 20th-century philosophy, she now works as an AI consultant at Scale AI, collaborating with clients like Google and OpenAI, and independently on a range of other creative projects.

### **Moderator**

*Priya Sharma*

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India Lead, Birth Futures Project  
Co-Lead, South Asian Bioethics Community

### **About Us**

The South Asian Bioethics Community (SABC), established in January 2023, is an online platform for early-career researchers in bioethics originating from South Asia.