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# KOIAS Fellows Meeting – Reading Workshop on Structure of Feeling

A KOIAS Fellows Meeting was held on February 4, 2026, at Kobe University and focused on a collective reading and discussion of Ben Highmore's essay "Formations of Feelings, Constellations of Things." The session explored Raymond Williams's concept of "structure of feelings," drawing also on an excerpt from *The Long Revolution* (1961).

Guided by KOIAS Fellow Indrek Ojam (University of Tartu, Estonia), the discussion addressed key theoretical questions in affect theory, cultural studies, and atmospheric studies, while also serving as preparation for the upcoming visit of Ben Highmore as KOIAS Visiting Professor from mid-February to mid-March. The meeting concluded with an engaged exchange among participants, highlighting the relevance of Williams's concept for contemporary interdisciplinary research at KOIAS.

