Creating Consilience
Evolution, Cognitive Science and the Humanities

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List of talks and workshop participants