

ISA-GDS NEWSLETTER

The Official Newsletter of the Global Development Section



Connecting scholars, practitioners, and students around the globe

A LOOK INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

GDS Leadership - 2

Note from the GDS Collective - 3

Book Series: Postcolonial International Studies - 5

Announcements - 7

Upcoming Events - 10

Latest Publications - 14

Get Connected with GDS - 20

Note from the GDS Collective

Dear GDS Members,

Happy Gregorian New Year! We hope this message finds you doing well in this first month of 2023.

We are happy, once again to share some of your publications and activities in this latest edition of the GDS community Newsletter. As ever, your work is a reminder that critical development scholarship can be recast as serving broader efforts towards social justice.

Our latest membership figures show that the GDS community now has over seven hundred members for the first time! It's encouraging to know that this collective keeps growing, year on year, and that our work – your work! – is reaching an ever wider circle of global scholars.

As we're sure you're aware, this year's convention in Montréal is just around the corner. Global Development will be sponsoring or co-sponsoring over seventy fascinating sessions in total, with the usual range of empirically grounded and theoretically rich scholarship represented.

At this point we would like to draw your attention to the following Key GDS events, all of which take place on **Thursday, March 16:**

- Global Development Section (GDS) Business Meeting, **12:30pm** at **07-Drummond East, Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel** – please come along to take part in our annual decision-making process
- Global Development Section Eminent Scholar Roundtable Honouring **Professor AbdouMaliq Simone (TC07) 1:45pm** at **07-Drummond East, Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel**
- Global Development Studies (GDS) Section Annual Reception, **7:45pm** at **07-Drummond East, Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel**

Note from the GDS Collective (cont.)

Finally, if you would like to put yourself forward to serve as **GDS Chair for the 2025/26 year, with Vice-Chair and Newsletter responsibilities from 2023-25**, please send your nomination, along with endorsements from at least five GDS members to Lisa Tilley LT28@soas.ac.uk no later than **February 16th**.

That's all from us for now, but we hope you have a wonderful start to the calendar year and we're looking forward to engaging with you all over the coming year in various spaces!

Sending warm wishes and solidarity,

The GDS Collective

BOOK SERIES (RE)LAUNCH - POSTCOLONIAL INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Book series (re)launch - Postcolonial International Studies, Manchester University Press

Dear colleagues,

We are delighted to announce the (re)birth of the book series Postcolonial International Studies with Manchester University Press.

Previously published as Kilombo: International Relations and Colonial Questions with Rowman and Littlefield International, over the last decade we have aimed to carve out a space for sustained inquiry within IR and cognate fields into the colonial dimensions of global order. Across the two series, we have so far published fifteen excellent monographs from a mixture of established and early-career scholars across different geographical locations, many of which have won awards and wider international recognition.

We are committed to cultivating the space for the flourishing inquiry in this area of international studies, and welcome proposals for new monographs, including edited volumes. We welcome innovative publishing formats, especially those which enable a wider range of authorial voices.

Since moving to MUP, we are pleased to have published the volumes *Imperial Inequalities*, edited by Gurminder K. Bhambra and Julia McClure, and *The Rise of Global Islamophobia in the War on Terror*, edited by Naved Bakali and Farid Hafez. Watch this space for at least two more excellent forthcoming titles in the near future.

BOOK SERIES (RE)LAUNCH - POSTCOLONIAL INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Book series (re)launch - Postcolonial International Studies, Manchester University Press (cont.)

As series editors, we are happy to discuss ideas at any stage of development at all, and will provide support and feedback in the preparation of proposals as well as the stages after that. We are fully committed to getting the best outcomes for our authors through the editorial process, and to ensuring the research reaches a wide and relevant audience. We are delighted to be working with Manchester University Press and the supportive team there, who publish pathbreaking critical work with the rigour and quality of a university press imprint.

Please do reach out to us by email if you have a book, or an idea for a book, which might fit with our series, and do forward this message to others who might too. The press's proposal form is available here. We will also be present at various conferences and are always happy to meet up for a coffee and chat.

Mustapha K. Pasha mkp4@aber.ac.uk

Meera Sabaratnam ms140@soas.ac.uk

Robbie Shilliam r.shilliam@jhu.edu

Series Editors, Postcolonial International Studies, Manchester University Press

Rob Byron, Robert.byron@manchester.ac.uk

Commissioning Editor, Politics and International Relations, Manchester
University Press

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meera Sabaratnam will be joining the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Oxford as Associate Professor in International Relations in September 2023.

Rowan Lubbok recently started a one-year research fellowship at the Corvinus Institute for Advanced Studies (CIAS), Corvinus University, Budapest, where he will be developing a new long-term archival project on agriculture and international (dis)order.

Dr. Desirée Poets (Virginia Tech) has received a 15,000 USD grant from the Center for Peace Studies and Violence Prevention at Virginia Tech for the project "Community Approaches to Violence Prevention in a Rio de Janeiro Favela." The project's goal is to explore empirically and conceptually the relationship between community-led community capacity building (CCB) and violence prevention. Many scholars and officials have argued that CCB is key to preventing violence, but these approaches have also been criticized for their Anglocentrism. This project's objective is to investigate the CCB efforts of the local NGO Redes da Maré in Rio de Janeiro's Maré favela—whose residents daily experience violence perpetrated both by the state and by local armed drug organizations—in the areas of 1) legislative and policy change regarding public security and 2) artistic, urban, and waste management interventions in the areas most affected by violence in Maré. The project builds on long-term, deep collaborations between the PI and Redes and will be based on a small-scale statistical and qualitative community-led data gathering and analysis process. The project will result in at least two academic articles co-authored with partners from Redes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Sara De Jong: **“We Are Here, Because You Were There: Afghan Interpreters in the UK”** (visual art) shows the stories of Afghan interpreters who worked for the British Army and who were resettled to the UK in 2021. Their experiences are documented through portraiture and in-depth interviews by photographer and veteran Andy Barnham and Dr Sara de Jong (Department of Politics, University of York) in collaboration with the Sulha Alliance. 'We Are Here, Because You Were There' encourages reflection on the deep entanglement between the UK and Afghanistan, which has shaped Afghan interpreters' lives from childhood or early adulthood. Together their individual stories and images reflect the structural and lasting impact of Britain's military intervention and migration policies.

From Sharri Plonski: I wanted to draw our colleagues' attention to a collaborative podcast and storytelling project I've been part of this past year: **“Surviving Society Presents: Material Crimes”**: <https://materialcrimes.com/>. In addition to finding the links on the website, you can listen to the episodes directly on apple podcasts: <https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/surviving-society/id1291679351>; or really anywhere that you listen to podcasts.

Here's a little blurb about the project: How can infrastructure be criminal? How does a mine, an electricity grid, a prison or a factory, become a perpetrator of violence, insecurity and threat? Material Crimes tries to answer these questions. Each episode investigates a different, discrete piece of infrastructure, tracing its global - often colonial - connections across time and space. They show us how the physical sites of everyday life are intimately linked to networks of private and public actors that inflict violence on spaces and communities often living on the margins. The series also shines a spotlight on the movements people have built to reveal and challenge the infrastructural crimes that harm them. Season 1 is currently broadcasting and Season 2 is under production. Get in touch if you want to help us make season 3!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ten doctoral positions to be filled in new research training group on “standards of governance”:

We are looking for ten junior research fellows to pursue their doctoral studies in our new research training group on standards of good governance, which is based at the Technical University of Darmstadt and Goethe University Frankfurt. The group is funded by the German research foundation, initially for five years. It is highly interdisciplinary and brings together researchers from political science, sociology, philosophy and law. The doctoral positions are open to candidates from political science, sociology, philosophy, law or a related discipline who have a demonstrable research interest in the topics covered by the school. Applicants should have completed an MA/LLM or equivalent academic degree and propose an independent research project that they plan to pursue at the school. The successful candidate will be happy to work in an interdisciplinary environment and to participate in the research training activities of the group. Working knowledge of German is an asset but not required initially.

We offer a research position with a regular work contract (65% of full-time employment) and social security contributions for four years, a dynamic and international working environment with funding for conference travel and one longer research stay abroad. There are no teaching obligations attached to this position but there will be opportunities to offer seminars in English or German to local students. **Electronic applications are accepted until 15 January 2023 and we are planning to interview candidates on 3 February.** The proposed starting date is 1 April 2023. If you have questions about the positions please contact Prof. Dr. Jens Steffek at standards@pg.tu-darmstadt.de.

https://www.politikwissenschaft.tu-darmstadt.de/institut/arbeitsbereiche_und_nachwuchsgruppen/transnationales_regieren/forschung_tr/standard_des_regierens/standards_des_regierens.en.jsp

UPCOMING EVENTS

Book launch event: *The Rise of Islamophobia in the Global War on Terror: Coloniality, Race Islam*, 17th Jan 2023 12pm EST/5pm GMT

Manchester University Press are delighted to host an online panel to celebrate the recent publication of *The Rise of Global Islamophobia in the War on Terror* (Manchester University Press, 2022), edited by Naved Bakali and Farid Hafez, in its new Postcolonial International Studies series. The panel, coming together from locations around the world, will develop and discuss the main themes of the book in conversation with the series editors and the audience.

Please register here: <https://tinyurl.com/globalislamophobia>

Book Description: The 'War on Terror' ushered in a new era of anti-Muslim bias and racism. Anti-Muslim racism, or Islamophobia, is influenced by local economies, power structures and histories. However, the War on Terror, a conflict undefined by time and place, with a homogenised Muslim 'Other' framed as a perpetual enemy, has contributed towards a global Islamophobic narrative. This edited international volume examines the connections between interpersonal and institutional anti-Muslim racism that have contributed to the growth and emboldening of nativist and populist protest movements globally. It maps out categories of Islamophobia, revealing how localised histories, conflicts and contemporary geopolitical realities have textured the ways that Islamophobia has manifested across the global North and South. At the same time, it seeks to highlight activism and resistance confronting Islamophobia.

Naved Bakali (editor, contributor)

Farid Hafez (editor, contributor)

Derya Iner (contributor)

Farhan Mujahid Chak (contributor)

Ben Whitham (discussant)

Chaired by Meera Sabaratnam (series co-editor, Postcolonial International Studies)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bridging the Gap (BTG)'s upcoming faculty workshop:

Our International Summer Policy Institute (IPSI) is open to post-docs and faculty of all ranks who are interested in learning more about conducting public engagement parallel to their scholarship. The application link, which will be open until **January 22nd**, is available here: <https://bridgingthegaproject.org/ipsi-form/>.

– Kathryn Urban (BTG Program Manager)

The Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) 2023 conference call for papers and panels:

The Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) is pleased to announce the call for papers and panels for its 35th annual conference, "Socio-Economics in a Transitioning World: Breaking Lines and Alternative Paradigms for a New World Order", hosted by the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, 20-22 July 2023.

Please find information on submissions here [<https://sase.org/conference-submission/>], as well as information on SASE's research networks [<https://sase.org/about/networks/>] and 2023 mini-conference themes [<https://sase.org/event/2023-rio-de-janeiro/#mini>]. General information about the conference, including the theme, fees, and deadlines, can be found here [<https://sase.org/event/2023-rio-de-janeiro/>].

The hard deadline for submissions is **Wednesday, 1 February 2023**.

– Jacob Bromberg, writing on behalf of the Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE - sase.org)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Refusing Carcerality public roundtable to be held on Friday, 10 February 2023 at King's College London:

Here is the Eventbrite link: <https://www.kcl.ac.uk/events/refusing-carcerality-a-public-roundtable>

Location: Great Hall, Bush House auditorium
Strand Campus, King's College, London, WC2R 2LS

From the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Act and the Nationality and Borders Act in the UK, to the recent 'anti-rave' policies proposed by the new far-right government in Italy and the expansion of EU border regimes in Ceuta and Melilla; from the resistance in Nigeria against the brutal SARS police unit, and recent hunger strikes by Palestinian and Egyptian political prisoners, to the wider BLM movements around the world – the logic of carcerality, witnessed through immigration detention, imprisonment, militarised policing, and punishment, is a growing feature of international politics and political economy...and so is the resistance to it.

The conversations at this public roundtable, Refusing Carcerality, will aim to encourage an interrogation of carcerality at the multiple scales through which these modes of violence and dispossession shape and structure everyday life (and vice versa). At the same time, organisers hope to cultivate new ways of understanding and strengthening the creative, collective praxis required to refuse them.

As well as the in-person event, there will also be the opportunity to join us live online via the School of Politics and Economics YouTube channel [here](#). There is no need to register to attend the online event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Refusing Carcerality public roundtable to be held on Friday, 10 February 2023 at King's College London (cont.):

SPEAKERS

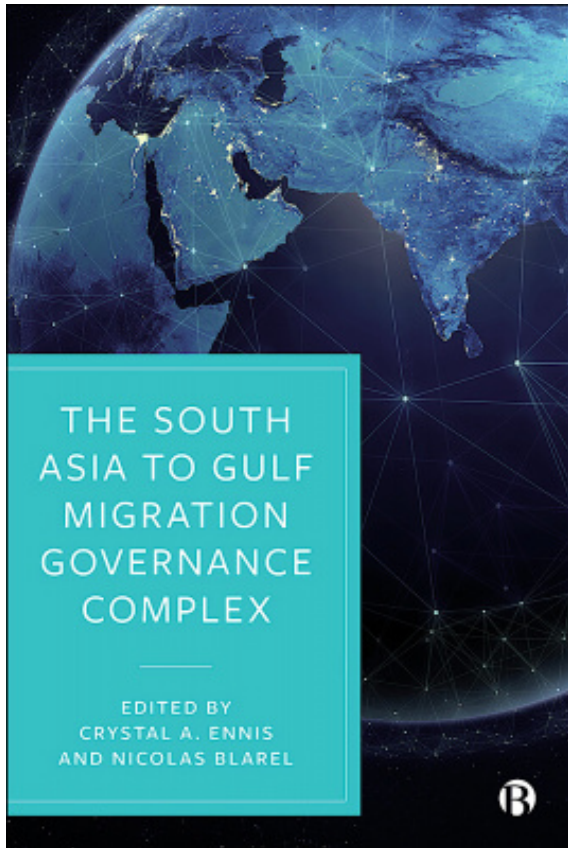
- Riya l'Sanah, PhD candidate at the Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter; former director of Who Profits Research Center.
- Gargi Bhattacharya, Professor of Sociology, University of East London
- Adam Elliott-Cooper, Lecturer in Public and Social Policy, Queen Mary University of London
- Shanice Octavia McBean, Writer and activist in Sisters Uncut
- Stuart Schrader, Associate Research Professor of Africana Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore
- Aaron Winter, Senior Lecturer in Sociology (Race and Anti-Racism), Lancaster University

The roundtable will be co-hosted by the British International Studies Association's (BISA) Colonial, Postcolonial, and Decolonial (CPD) working group and the School of Politics and International Relations at Queen Mary, University of London, and is open to the public.

Organisers are thankful to funding from BISA, the School of Politics and Economics at King's College London, and School of Politics and International Relations at Queen Mary University of London. Thanks are also extended for support from King's Department of International Development.

– Dr Jenna Marshall (Lecturer in International Studies, Department of European & International Studies, King's College London)

LATEST PUBLICATIONS



Crystal A. Ennis and Nicola Blarel (eds.), *The South Asia to Gulf Migration Governance Complex* (Bristol University Press, 2022).

The Gulf is a major global destination for migrant workers, with a majority of these workers coming from South Asia.

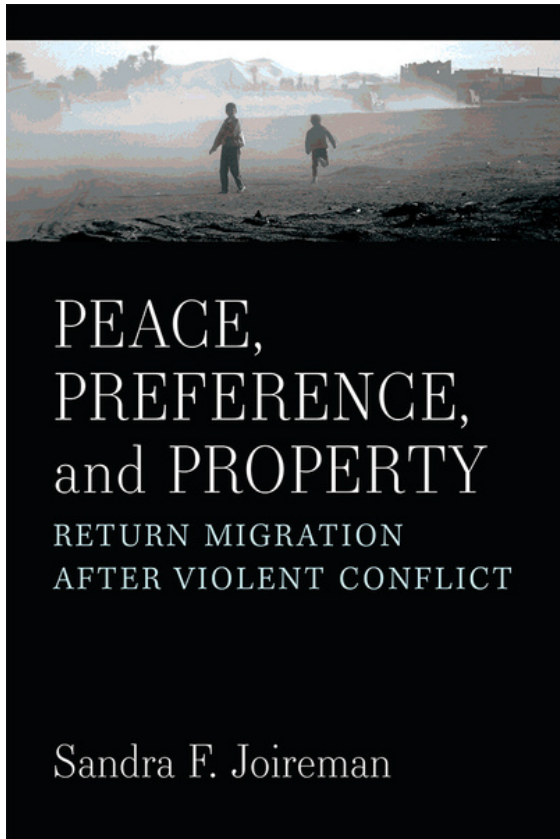
In this book, a team of international contributors examine the often-overlooked complex governance of this migration corridor. Going beyond state-centric analysis, the contributors present a multi-layered account of the ‘migration governance complex.’ They offer insights not only into the actors involved in the different components of migration governance, but also into the varying ways of interpreting and explaining the meaning and value of these interactions. Together, they enable readers to better understand migration in this important region, while also providing a model for analyzing global migration governance in practice in different parts of the world.

Jacqueline Ignatova, *Contesting Africa's New Green Revolution: Biotechnology and Philanthrocapitalist Development in Ghana* (Zed/Bloomsbury, paperback edition 2022).

Through interviews with farmers, policymakers and agricultural scientists, Jacqueline Ignatova shows how efforts to transform the seed sector in northern Ghana – one of the key laboratories of this 'new Green Revolution' – may serve to exacerbate the inequality it was notionally intended to address. But she also argues that its effects in Ghana have been far more complex than either side of the debate has acknowledged, with local farmers proving adept at blending traditional and modern agricultural methods that subvert the interests of global agribusiness.



LATEST PUBLICATIONS

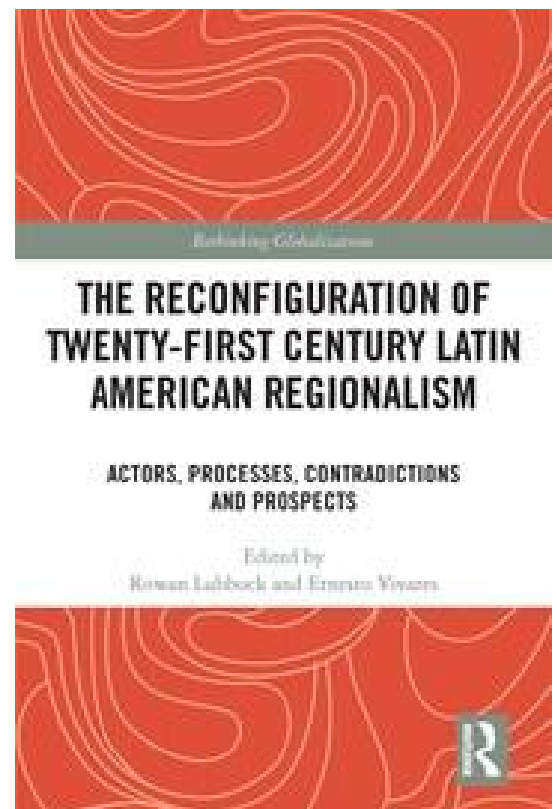


Sandra F. Joireman, *Peace, Preference and Property: Return Migration After Violent Conflict* (University of Michigan Press, 2022).

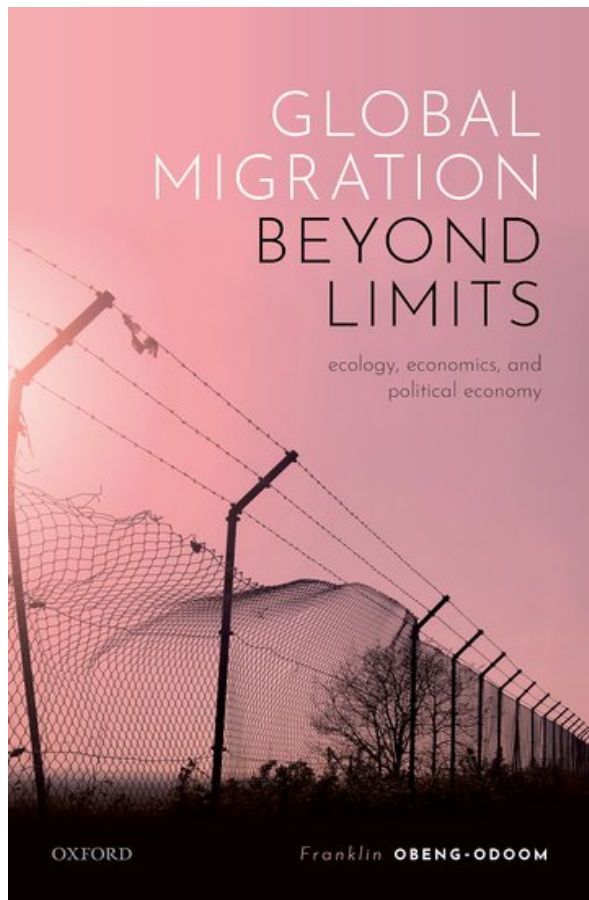
Using case studies and first-person accounts from interviews and fieldwork in post-conflict settings such as Uganda, Liberia, and Kosovo, Sandra F. Joireman highlights the divergence between these policies and the preferences of conflict-displaced people. Rather than looking from the top down, at the rights that people have in international and domestic law, the perspective of this text is from the ground up—examining individual and household choices after conflict. Some refugees want to go home, some do not want to return, some want to return to their countries of origin but live in a different place, and others are repatriated against their will when they have no other options. *Peace, Preference, and Property* suggests alternative policies that would provide greater choice for displaced people in terms of property restitution and solutions to displacement.

Rowan Lubbock and Ernesto Vivares (eds.), *The Reconfiguration of 21st Century Latin American Regionalism* (Routledge, 2022).

This cutting-edge volume brings together a diverse roster of scholars to shed light on the reconfiguration of twenty-first century Latin American regionalism. Reflecting on both the multiplicity of regional integration across Latin America (LA) and the theoretically pluralist turn in contemporary scholarship on LA politics and International Relations, this edited volume proposes an ‘integrative pluralist’ methodology to deciphering the complexity of regionalisation projects, from both above and below. The chapters in this book were originally published as a special issue of *Globalizations*.



LATEST PUBLICATIONS



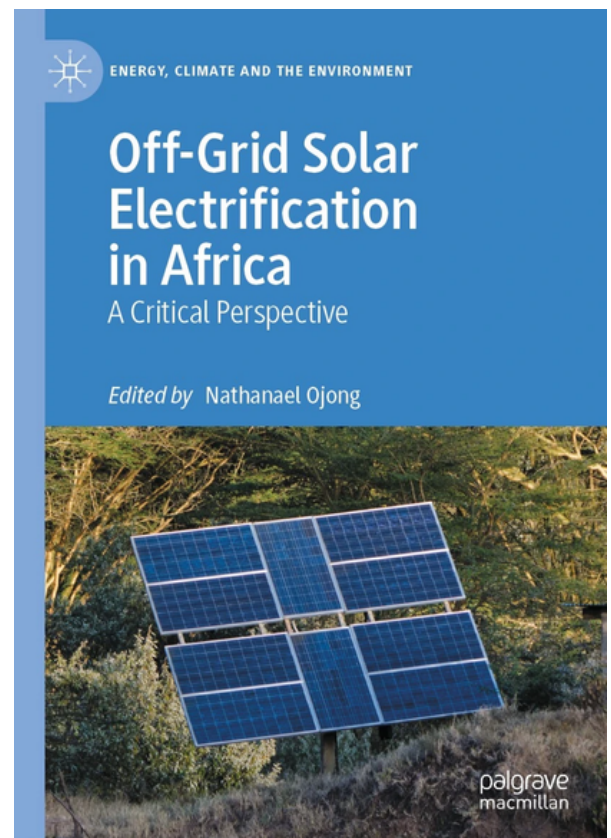
Franklin Obeng-Odoom, *Global Migration Beyond Limits: Ecology, Economics, and Political Economy* (Oxford University Press, 2022).

Global Migration beyond Limits takes a critical approach to mainstream economic accounts of migration, environment, and inequality. Drawing on a range of case studies from Africa, the Middle East, Asia, Australia, Europe, and the Americas, Obeng-Odoom argues that much of the crisis of migration can be understood as a reflection of cumulative stratification at different scales in the global system, though the form of migration is conditioned by more than economic forces.

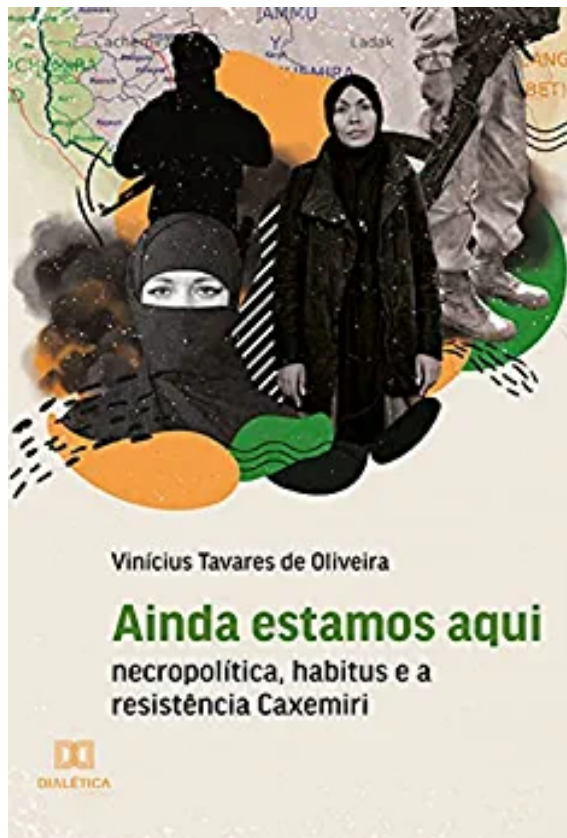
Examining the experiences of migrant farmers, street workers, refugees, international students, and many more, this book shows that the so-called migration crisis is an expression of a political-economic system in which socially created value is privately appropriated as rents by a privileged few who use institutions such as land and property rights, race, ethnicity, class, and gender to keep others in their place.

Nathanael Ojong (ed.), *Off-Grid Solar Electrification in Africa: A Critical Perspective* (Palgrave Macmillan Cham, 2022).

This book evaluates off-grid solar electrification in Africa by examining how political, economic, institutional, and social forces shape the adoption of off-grid solar technologies, including how issues of energy injustice are manifested at different levels and spaces. The book takes a historical, contemporary, and projective outlook using case studies from pre- and ongoing electrification communities in non-Western countries such as Ghana, Kenya, Rwanda, Senegal, Malawi, Tanzania, and Nigeria. Beyond the diverse nature of these countries in terms of their geographical location in West, East, and Southern Africa, each offers a different experience in terms of colonial history, economic and institutional infrastructure, social and cultural context, and level of adoption of off-grid solar technologies.



LATEST PUBLICATIONS



Vinícius Tavares de Oliveira, *Ainda Estamos Aqui: Necropolítica, Habitus e a Resistência Caxemiri* (Editora Dialética, 2022). (English: *We Are Still Here: Necropolitics, Habitus and the Kashmiri Resistance*)

O presente livro baseia-se nos conceitos de prática de Pierre Bourdieu e na necropolítica de Achille Mbembe para dar sentido aos eventos de Kunan e Poshpora, na Caxemira, com o objetivo de contribuir com uma estrutura analítica para compreender situações e lutas marginalizadas. Ao entrelaçar esses dois conceitos, é possível entender melhor o surgimento do campo de Bourdieu e a lógica disposicional do capital e do habitus. Ao engajar com a necropolítica, será possível compreender melhor a situação da opressão na Caxemira, bem como as lutas para alcançar a justiça e a liberdade. Argumento que é possível combinar a análise de Bourdieu com a de Mbembe para compreender melhor o surgimento de necropolíticas e práticas e que essa integração é um passo necessário.

Merve Burnazoglu, Stefan Kesting, Franklin Obeng-Odoom, and Alyssa Schneebaum, Special Issue 'Symposium on Inequalities, Social Stratification, and Stratification Economics', *Review of Evolutionary Political Economy*, 3, no. 2 (2022).

Merve Burnazoglu, Stefan Kesting, Franklin Obeng-Odoom, and Alyssa Schneebaum, 'Introduction: Learning From and Building on Stratification Economics', *Review of Evolutionary Political Economy*, 3, no. 3 (2022).



LATEST PUBLICATIONS

Sara De Jong, "Brokers Betrayed: The Afterlife of Afghan Interpreters Employed by Western Armies", *Journal of International Development* (2022).



David Kenneth Johnson, "Walter Rodney and the Method of Political Economy: Retrieving a Critical-Historical IPE," *Review of International Political Economy* (2022).

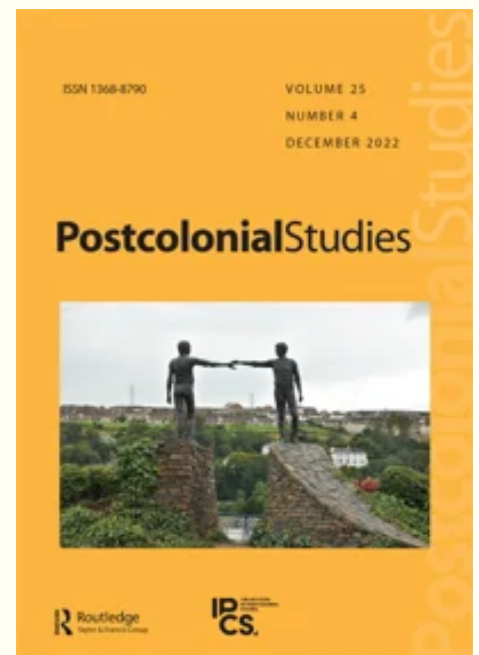
Franklin Obeng-Odoom, Special Issue 'Ecological Imperialism', *American Journal of Economics and Sociology*, 81, no. 3 (2022).



Franklin Obeng-Odoom, "Rethinking Development Economics: Problems and Prospects of Georgist Political Economy," *Review of Political Economy*, 35, no. 1 (2023): 316-333.

LATEST PUBLICATIONS

Alina Sajed and Timothy Seidel, Special Issue
“Anticolonial Connectivity and the Politics of
Solidarity: Between Home and the World,”
Postcolonial Studies 26, no.1 (2023).



Lisa Tilley, Anupama M Ranawana, Andrew Baldwin,
and Tyler M Tully, “Race and Climate Change:
Towards Anti-Racist Ecologies,” *Politics* (2022).

Tamara Trowsell, Navnita Chadha Behera, and
Giorgio Shani (eds.), Special Issue on "Pluriversal
Relationality," *Review of International Studies* 48,
Special Issue 5 (2022).



(Note: there will be a virtual launch organized by
BISA and LSE sometime in the New Year (Feb
20).)

GET CONNECTED

Find us on:

[Facebook](#)

[Web](#)

[Twitter](#)

- Get involved with the GDS
- Join the caucus
- Participate in our panels and workshops at ISA
- Keep up to date via our Facebook page
- Send us information about you
- Send us short newsletter analyses
- Serve in any capacity

Future Newsletters: Please do send your announcements, however big or small, including news of published books or articles, calls for papers, awards or proposals, new appointments, achievements, and so on. Simply send these to:

GDSnewsletter.ISA@gmail.com

