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Note from the GDS Collective

Greetings GDS Members!

We hope this message finds you as healthy as possible as the new academic term gets underway.

As ever, it gives us a lot of pleasure to share with you many of the incredible activities and achievements of the GDS community in this Newsletter. It is always inspiring to see how this community of scholars is pushing the boundaries of critical development, both in the form of publications and work with the communities to which we are accountable.

Behind the scenes, we have been busy preparing for next year's convention in Montréal. Global Development will be sponsoring or co-sponsoring around seventy-five sessions in total, with the usual range of empirically grounded and theoretically rich scholarship represented. Frustratingly, we always have scores more excellent quality submissions than we can possibly accept, so please don't be disheartened if your paper was not accepted this year.

We are also working on our various honours, paper and book awards, as well as preparing solidarity activities ahead of our visit to Montréal.

At this point we would like to draw your attention to the GDS Book Award, which is now at the shortlist stage of selection (see details on page 4). Many warm congratulations to all of the authors whose work appears on the award's shortlist – it was an incredibly difficult task to narrow the list down to this final selection from such a rich field of published works.

That's all from us for now, but we hope you have a wonderful start to the academic 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

GDS BOOK AWARD

Dear GDS Community,

We received a truly excellent pool of books again this year! The Book Award committee came up with a shortlist of 5 books (listed below). We thank all of the eligible candidates for sharing their incredible work and will announce the final winner later in the year.

With Gratitude,

Akta Rao & The GDS Book Award Committee

- **Jayita Sarkar, *Ploughshares and Swords: India's Nuclear Program in the Global Cold War*, (Cornell University Press, 2022)**

Ploughshares and Swords: adopts a novel approach to studying global development by centring technopolitics and territoriality at the heart of nuclear infrastructures in the largest democracy in the world. Spanning across four decades of archive-based transnational history while making conceptual contributions to international studies of development, *Ploughshares and Swords*, sheds new light on India's nuclear program, the making of the postcolonial nation-state, the remaking of borders and borderlands, and the contentious character of global development itself. the book shows why and how India's leaders and middle classes tolerated the risks and costs of the program in the name of the nation. In doing so, it presents a complex and even a darker side of the development project of which the nuclear and space programs formed a cornerstone.

- **Daniel E. Agbiboa, *They Eat Our Sweat: Transport Labor, Corruption, and Everyday Survival in Urban Nigeria*, (Oxford University Press, 2022).**

They Eat Our Sweat underscores the centrality of everyday corruption and violence to the contradictions of democracy, modernity, development, and reform in urban Africa. Based on a twelve-month mobile ethnography on Lagos roads, including working as a minibus taxi conductor in the informal transport sector (the most politicized and violent sector in Nigeria), Agbiboa lays bare the contradictions at the heart of corruption and modernization (i.e., "world class" aspirations) in urban Nigeria. By locating corruption in the interstices between law and disorder, and between the formal and the informal, the book advances our scant empirical and theoretical knowledge of how everyday (street-level) and political (state-level) corruption endlessly redefine each other. Violence, it argues, is not merely an occasional by-product of this interaction, but rather integral to enforcing an unfair economic and political settlement that "eats the sweat" of the urban poor.

GDS BOOK AWARD

- **Rebecca Hall, *Refracted Economies: Diamond Mining and Social Reproduction in the North* (University of Toronto Press, 2022).**

Refracted Economies is a gendered analysis of the diamond mining industry in the Canadian sub arctic, and the experiences of the northern Indigenous communities upon whose lands these mines were established. Taking a decolonizing and feminist approach to political economy, the book centres on Indigenous women's social reproduction labour and the ways in which caring labour tie together sites of (capitalist) work, home, and care. The fieldwork was conducted through community-based research in partnership with The Native Women's Association of the Northwest Territories and draws upon documentary analysis, interviews, and talking circles.

- **Shobana Shankar, *An Uneasy Embrace: Africa, India, and the Specter of Race* (Oxford University Press 2021).**

An Uneasy Embrace: Africa, India, and the Spectre of Race examines how Africans and Indians renegotiated their relationships against the backdrop of European decolonization and anti-colonial nationalisms. The book explores how Africans and Indians navigated European, especially British, racial and economic hierarchies and constructed new ideas and practices of solidarity that were not defined solely in terms of resistance to Western imperialism. I argue that Africans and Indians confronted and reshaped the politics of difference—defined not just by race but also skin color, caste, religious identity, and gender— alongside economic cooperation and development as a moral priority of the postcolonial era.

- **Mohamed Sesay, *Domination Through Law: Internationalization of Legal Norms in Postcolonial Africa* (Littlefield, 2021).**

Domination through Law develops a postcolonial critique of international rule of law to argue that legal norms and institutions transferred from the global center often perpetuate forms of domination by reinforcing structural, social, and cost-related barriers to justice in postconflict African states. Aimed at problematizing the benign characterizations of contemporary rule of law promotion, the book questions international efforts that disproportionately favor those who have been historically privileged by unequal socio-legal and economic structures at the expense of those who lack the resources to use the formal legal system. It also contends that externally supported rule of law development that stresses standardization, formalization, and centralization of legal structures in postcolonial Africa has only succeeded in entrenching a state-based system that is highly elitist, centralized, and designed for the application of English law.

LATEST PUBLICATIONS

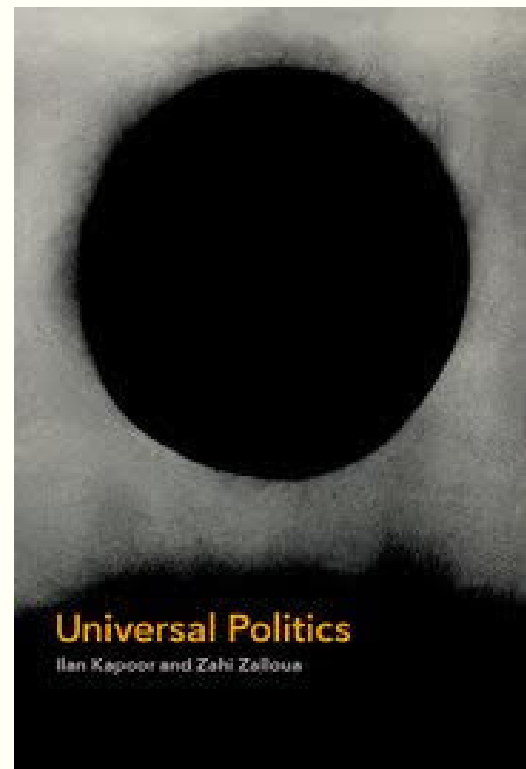


The COVID-19 pandemic is a Rorschach test for society: everyone sees something different in it, and the range of political and economic responses to the crisis can leave us feeling overwhelmed.

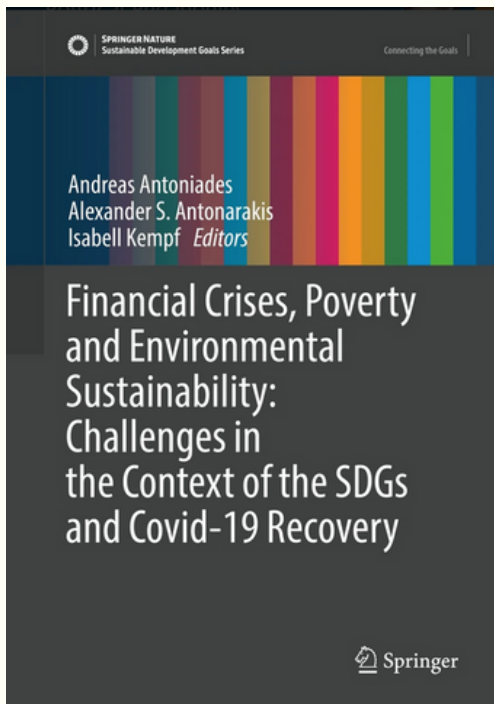
Post-Corona Capitalism: the Alternatives Ahead (2022) by **Andreas Nölke** cuts through the confusion, dissecting the new post-coronavirus capitalism into several policy areas and spheres of action to inform academic, policy and public discourse.

Covering all the major aspects of contemporary capitalism that have been affected by the pandemic, Andreas Nölke deftly analyses the impacts of the crisis on our socio-economic and political systems.

In **Universal Politics (2021)**, **Ilan Kapoor** and **Zahi Zalloua** argue that, in the face of the relentless advance of global capitalism, a universal politics is needed today more than ever. But rather than appealing to the narrow particularism of identity politics, the authors argue for a negative universality rooted in social antagonism (i.e., shared experiences of exploitation and marginalization). This conception of shared struggle avoids the trap of a neocolonial universalism, while foregrounding the politics of the systematically dispossessed and excluded.



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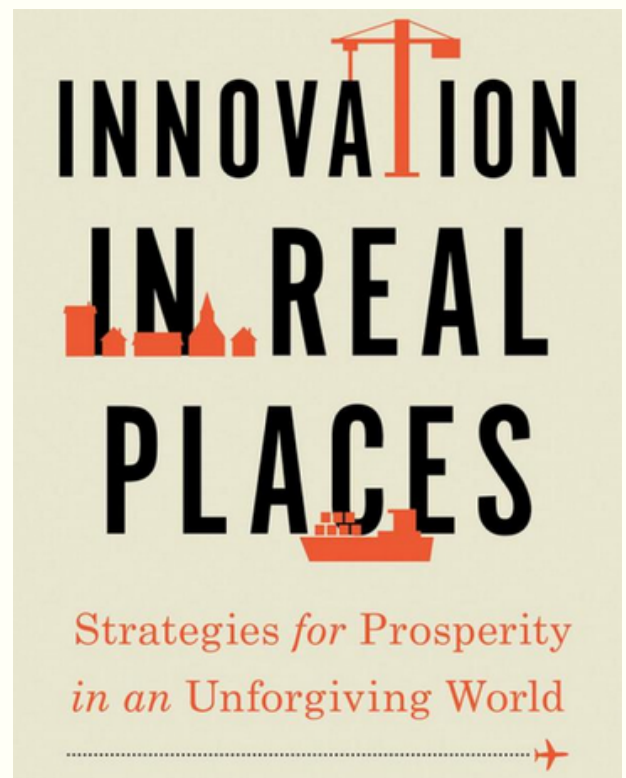


Financial Crises, Poverty and Environmental Sustainability: Challenges in the Context of the SDGs and Covid-19 Recovery (2022), edited by **Andreas Antoniades, Alexander Antonarakis and Isabell Kempf** advances the state-of-the-art in the study of the interplay among financial crises, poverty dynamics and environmental sustainability. It offers timely and unique contributions to the immediate global challenge of sustainable development. Developing a new evidence-base, the volume offers concrete recommendations for policy action needed in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in relation to environment and poverty during the current conditions of financial distress.

Winner of Balsillie Prize for Best Book in Public Policy

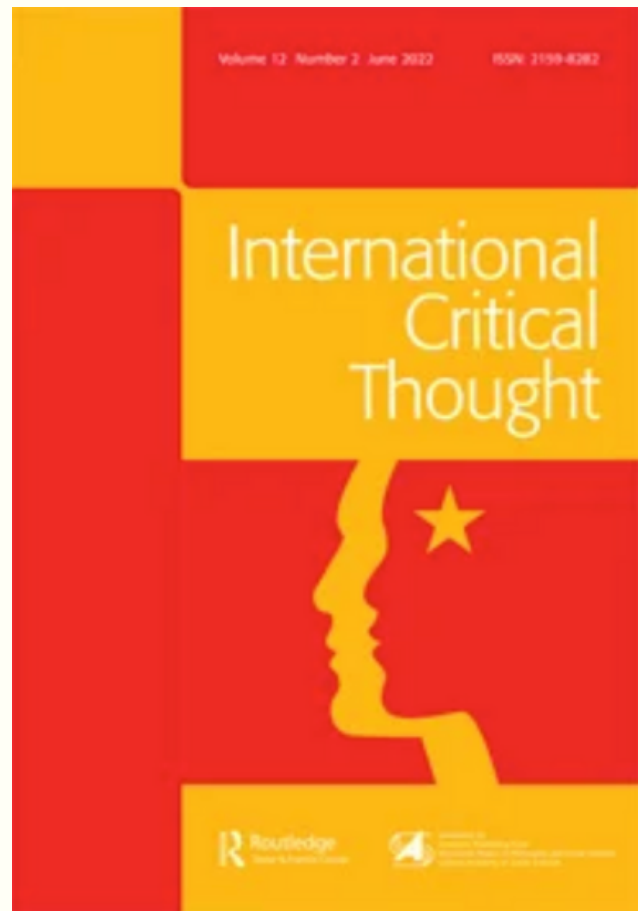
Dan Breznitz's **Innovation in Real Places: Strategies for Prosperity in an Unforgiving World (2021)** is challenge to prevailing ideas about innovation and a guide to identifying the best growth strategy for your community.

Across the world, cities and regions have wasted trillions of dollars on blindly copying the Silicon Valley model of growth creation. Since the early years of the information age, we've been told that economic growth derives from harnessing technological innovation. To do this, places must create good education systems, partner with local research universities, and attract innovative hi-tech firms.



LATEST PUBLICATIONS

James H. Mittelman. "The Power of Algorithmic Capitalism," *International Critical Thought* 12, 3 (June 2022).



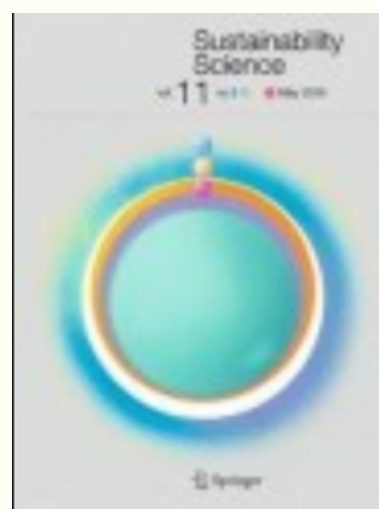
James H. Mittelman, "Global Transitioning: Beyond the Covid-19 Pandemic," *Globalizations* 19, 3 (2022): 439-49.

LATEST PUBLICATIONS



Melanie H. Ram, "Regime Complexity and a Galvanizing Idea: Development Goals and Intergovernmental Organization Coordination," *Journal of International Organizations Studies* 10, no. 2 (2019): 33-53

Antonarakis, A. S., Pacca, L., & Antoniadis, A. (2022). The effect of financial crises on deforestation: a global and regional panel data analysis. *Sustainability Science*, 17(3), 1037–1057.



Rohan Kalyan, (2021) "Becoming Untimely: Towards a Postcolonial Regime of Aesthetics," *Revista Debates* 15 (3), pp. 53-77

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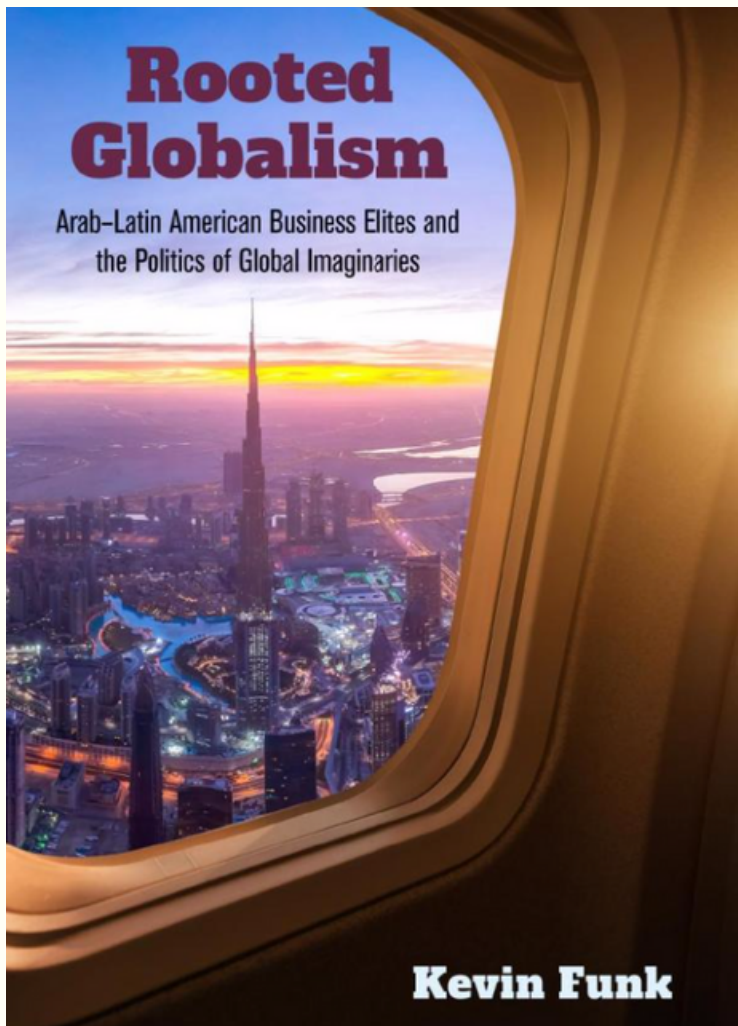
Jennifer Brinkerhoff, Aaron Williams and Taylor Jack, *The Young Black Leader's Guide to a Successful Career in International Affairs: What the Giants Want You to Know* (Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2022).

Young people of color confront many challenges that deter them from considering, pursuing, and succeeding at careers in international affairs. The book addresses these challenges, drawing on the experiences of Black American leaders in the field to provide practical advice.

The Generations Dialogue Project (Jennifer Brinkerhoff, Principal Investigator) draws on the content and model of the book. It aims to increase the number of under-represented youth who pursue and succeed in American foreign policy careers by connecting young Americans with giants who blazed a trail in American foreign policy and international affairs. We seek to: increase the number of participating high school students who pursue university study related to international affairs; increase the number of participating undergraduate students who pursue graduate study related to international affairs; create for all participants an informational and support network for careers in international affairs; and demonstrate a model for generating pipelines of under-represented groups and supporting them to successful American foreign policy careers.



LATEST PUBLICATIONS



Kevin Funk, *Rooted Globalism: Arab-Latin Business Elites and the Politics of Global Imaginaries*

Does the concept of nationality apply to the economic elite, or have they shed national identities to form a global capitalist class?

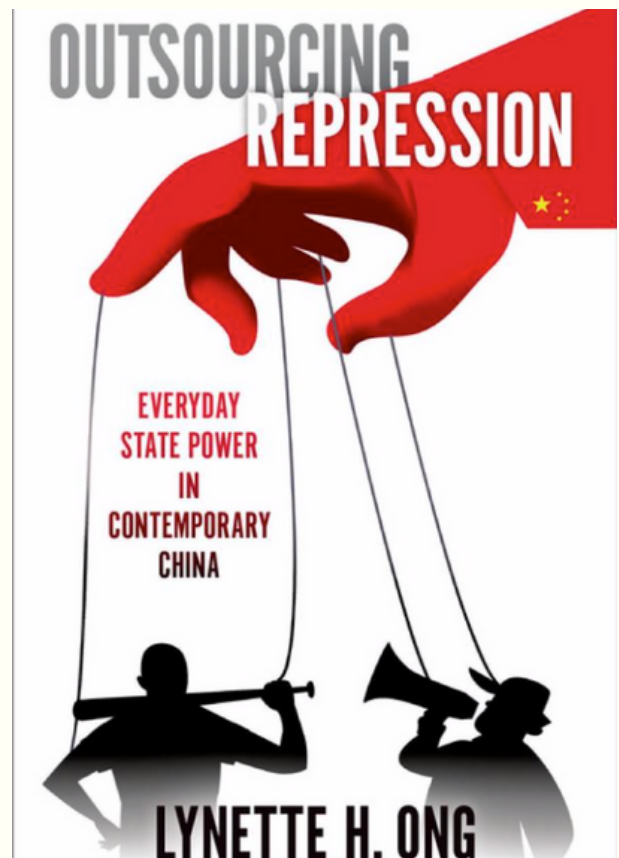
In *Rooted Globalism*, Kevin Funk unpacks dozens of ethnographic interviews he conducted with Latin America's urban-based, Arab-descendant elite class, some of whom also occupy positions of political power in countries such as Argentina, Brazil, and Chile. Based on extensive fieldwork, Funk illuminates how these elites navigate their Arab ancestry, Latin American host cultures, and roles as protagonists of globalization. With the term "rooted globalism," Funk captures the emergence of classed intersectional identities that are simultaneously local, national, transnational, and global.

Focusing on an oft-ignored axis of South-South relations (between Latin America and the Arab world), *Rooted Globalism* provides detailed analysis of the identities, worldviews, and motivations of this group and ultimately reveals that rather than obliterating national identities, global capitalism relies on them.

LATEST PUBLICATIONS

Lynette H. Ong, *Outsourcing Repression: Everyday State Power in Contemporary China* (Oxford University Press, 2022).

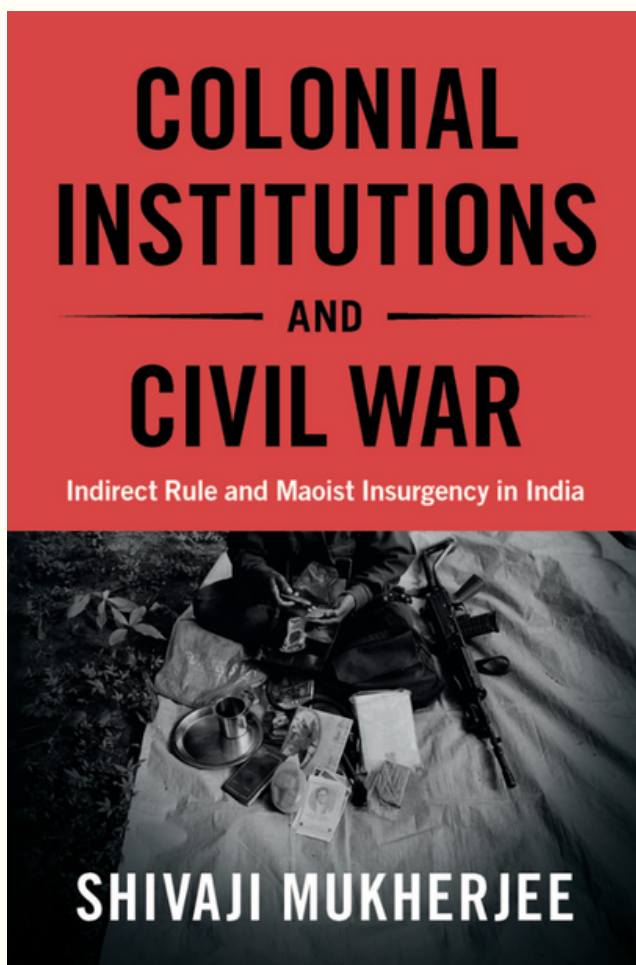
A compelling examination of China's engagement of nonstate actors as a counterintuitive solution to coerce citizens while minimizing backlash against the state. How do states coerce citizens into compliance while simultaneously minimizing backlash? In *Outsourcing Repression*, Lynette H. Ong examines how the Chinese state engages nonstate actors, from violent street gangsters to nonviolent grassroots brokers, to coerce and mobilize the masses for state pursuits, while reducing costs and minimizing resistance. She draws on ethnographic research conducted annually from 2011 to 2019--the years from Hu Jintao to Xi Jinping, a unique and original event dataset, and a collection of government regulations in a study of everyday land grabs and housing demolition in China. Theorizing a counterintuitive form of repression that reduces resistance and backlash, Ong invites the reader to reimagine the new ground state power credibly occupies. Everyday state power is quotidian power acquired through society by penetrating nonstate territories and mobilizing the masses within. Ong uses China's urbanization scheme as a window of observation to explain how the arguments can be generalized to other country contexts.



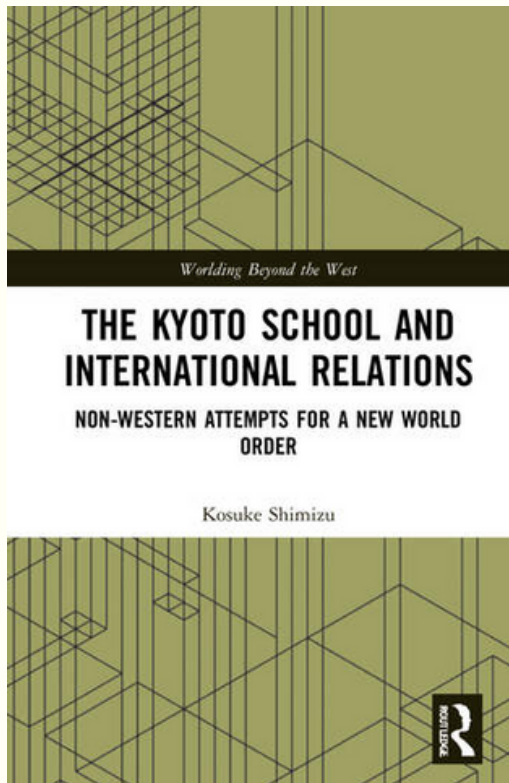
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Shivaji Mukherjee, *Colonial Institutions and Civil War* (Cambridge University Press, 2021)

What explains the peculiar spatial variation of Maoist insurgency in India? Mukherjee develops a novel typology of colonial indirect rule and land tenure in India, showing how they can lead to land inequality, weak state and Maoist insurgency. Using a multi-method research design that combines qualitative analysis of archival data on Chhattisgarh and Andhra Pradesh states, Mukherjee demonstrates path dependence of land/ethnic inequality leading to Maoist insurgency. This is nested within a quantitative analysis of a district level dataset which uses an instrumental variable analysis to address potential selection bias in colonial choice of princely states. The author also analyses various Maoist documents, and interviews with key human rights activists, police officers, and bureaucrats, providing rich contextual understanding of the motivations of agents. Furthermore, he demonstrates the generalizability of his theory to cases of colonial frontier indirect rule causing ethnic secessionist insurgency in Burma, and the Taliban insurgency in Pakistan.



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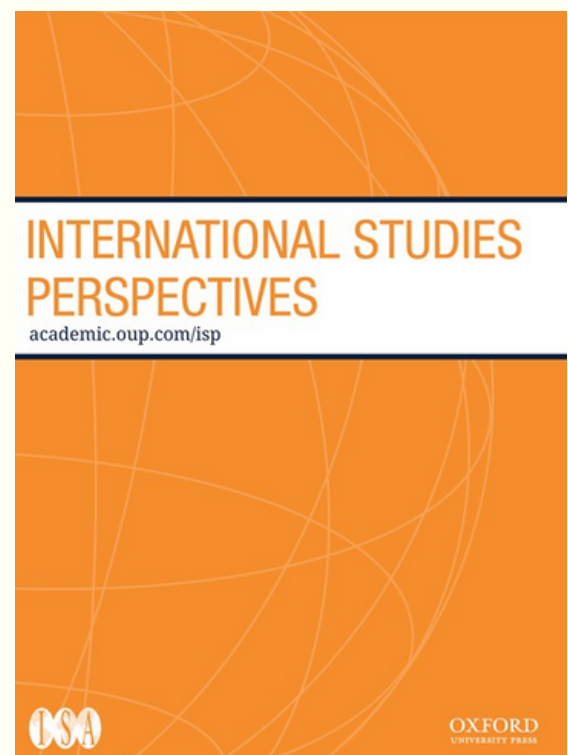


Kosuke Shimizu was appointed as the Dean of the Faculty of International Studies at Ryukoku University in April 2022.

Kosuke Shimizu also published a new book *The Kyoto School and International Relations: Non-Western attempts for a new world order* with Routledge's World Beyond the West series in March 2022.

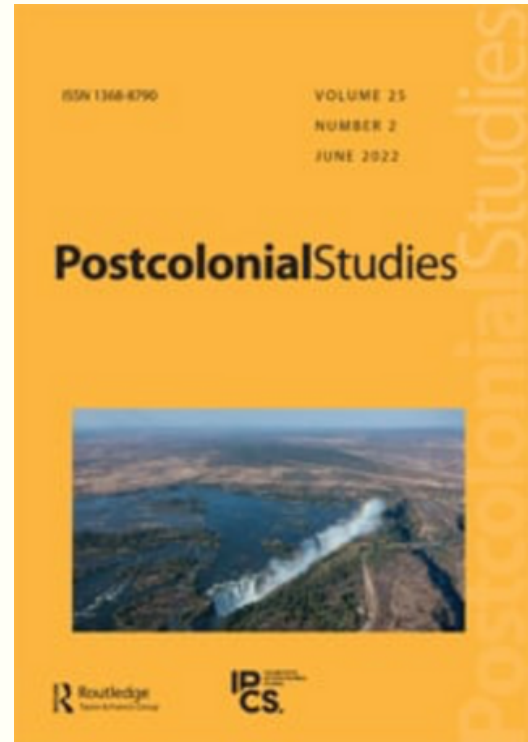
Ching-Chang Chen was promoted to the rank of professor by the Faculty of International Studies, Ryukoku University in April 2022.

Ching-Chang Chen also published a forum with Atsuko Watanabe et al. on "Searching for a Global Solidarity: A Collective Auto-Ethnography of Early-Career Women Researchers in the Asia-Pacific" with *International Studies Perspectives* in July 2022.



LATEST PUBLICATIONS

Sara De Jong "Writing rights: suturing Spivak's postcolonial and de Sousa Santos' decolonial thought", *Postcolonial Studies*, 2022 (open access)



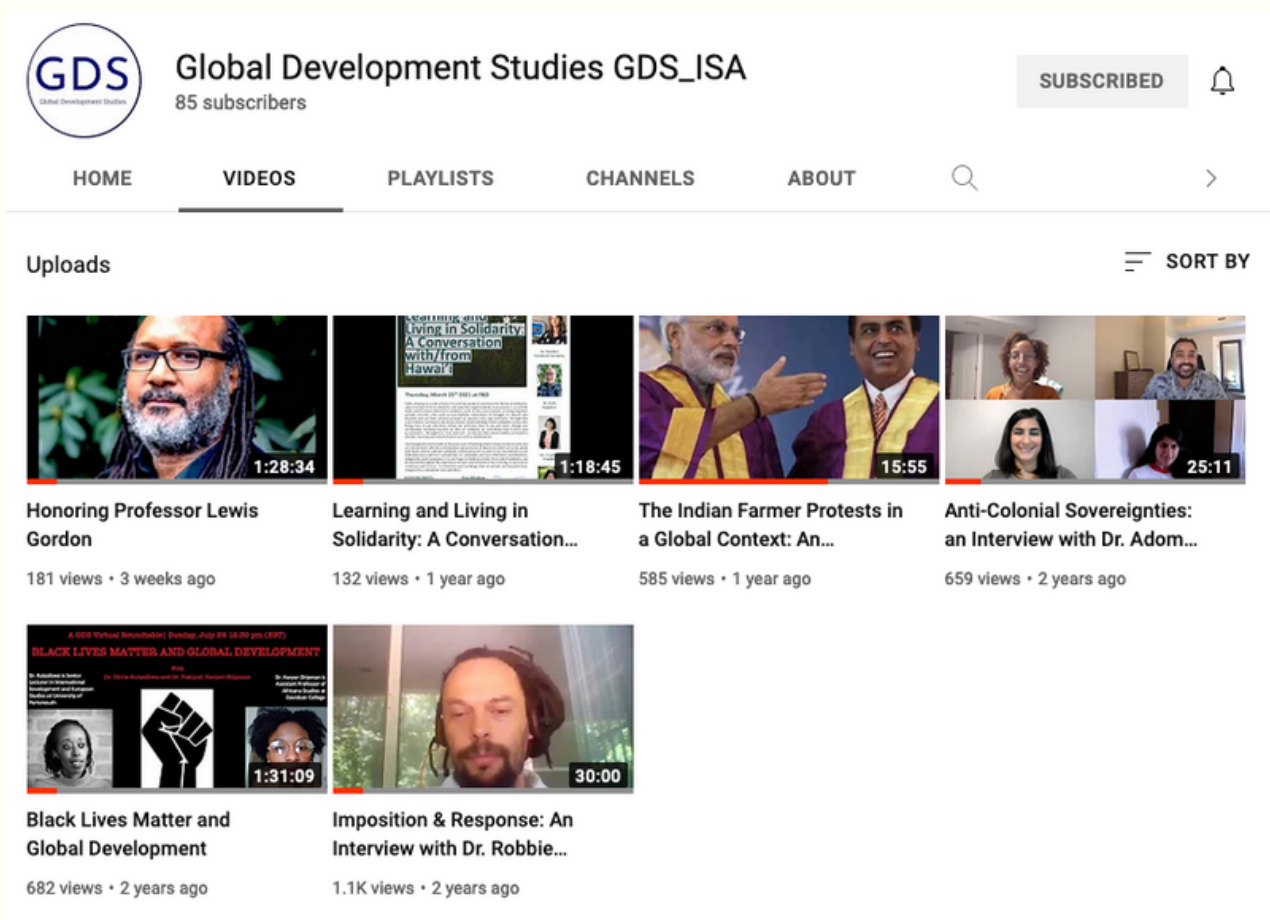
Deborah Barros Leal Farias,
“Which countries are ‘developing’? Comparing how international organizations and treaties divide the world”,
Political Geography Open Research

NEW MEDIA

GDS Eminent Scholar Roundtable with Professor Lewis Gordon on

GDS YouTube Channel:

Be sure to check out the other content as well, including video interviews with Professors **Adom Getachew**, **Bikrum Gill**, **Olivia Rutazibwa**, **Robbie Shilliam**, **Takiyah Harper-Shipman** and more!

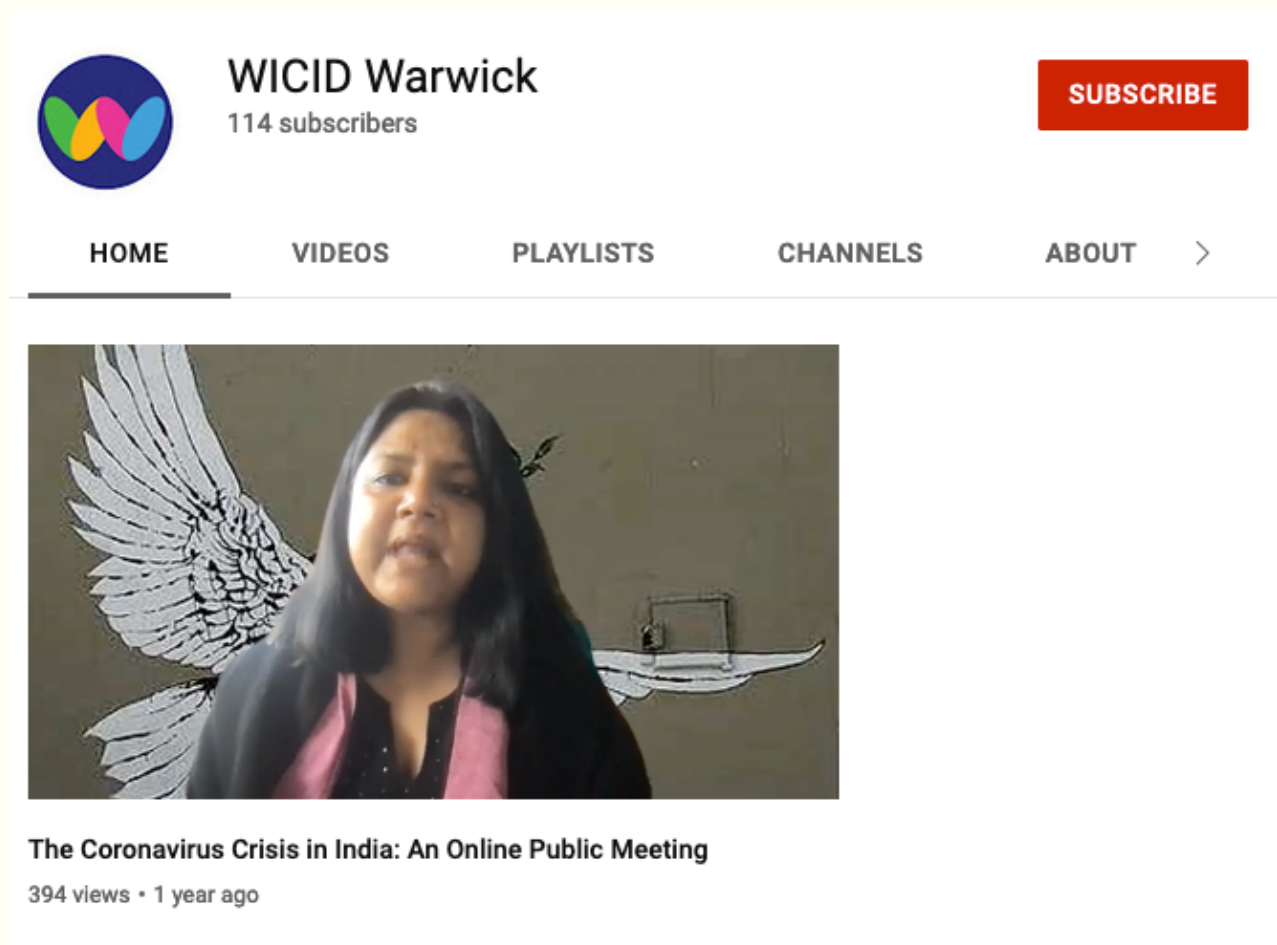


The screenshot shows the YouTube channel page for Global Development Studies (GDS)_ISA. The channel has 85 subscribers and is marked as 'SUBSCRIBED'. The navigation menu includes HOME, VIDEOS, PLAYLISTS, CHANNELS, and ABOUT. The 'Uploads' section is active, displaying a grid of video thumbnails with their titles and view counts.

Video Title	Duration	Views	Time Ago
Honoring Professor Lewis Gordon	1:28:34	181 views	3 weeks ago
Learning and Living in Solidarity: A Conversation with/ from Hawaii	1:18:45	132 views	1 year ago
The Indian Farmer Protests in a Global Context: An...	15:55	585 views	1 year ago
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Black Lives Matter and Global Development	1:31:09	682 views	2 years ago
Imposition & Response: An Interview with Dr. Robbie...	30:00	1.1K views	2 years ago

NEW MEDIA

The Warwick Interdisciplinary Research Centre for International Development is happy to announce that the recording of our annual lecture is now available on our [Youtube channel](#). Our annual lecture was given by Dr Seye Abimbola on “Useful Fictions in the Knowledge Practices of Global Health”. We hope you enjoy the lecture, and if you’re interested in finding out more about our work please do visit our website, Think Development blog, Think Development Outloud series, or sign up to our newsletter.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOBS

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in International Organization and Transnationalism at Clark University (Worcester, Massachusetts, USA)

- The Department of Political Science at Clark University invites applications for a tenure-track, with a specialization in international organization (broadly defined), to begin in August 2023. Candidates must have evidence of teaching excellence and scholarly promise. Candidates must have their Ph.D. in hand by August 2023.

PERSONAL UPDATES

Dr. Benjamin Schuetze was admitted to the prestigious Emmy-Noether Programme of the German Research Foundation (DFG). Starting this October and based at the Arnold Bergstraesser Institute (ABI) in Freiburg, Germany, he will set up and lead a junior research group (2022-2028) on ‘Renewable Energies, Renewed Authoritarianisms? The Political Economy of Solar Energy in the Middle East and North Africa’.

Sara E Fischer has some fun news to report! She just graduated with a PhD in Government from Georgetown University and is now an Assistant Professor of Public Health at the University of Puget Sound. Congratulations Sara!

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

2023 – Rio de Janeiro

Socio-Economics in a Transitioning World: Breaking Lines and Alternative Paradigms for a New World Order

The Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) is pleased to announce the call for mini-conference themes 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 from 20-22 July 2022.

Please find the conference theme description at [<https://sase.org/event/2023-rio-de-janeiro>] and the full call for 2023 mini-conference themes at [<https://sase.org/event/2023-rio-de-janeiro/#mini>]). The deadline for mini-conference theme submissions is

****Monday, 10 October 2022**.**

Paper and session submissions will open on 7 November 2022 and close 1 February 2023.

Please feel free to distribute widely. We hope that you will join us!



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CALL FOR PAPERS



INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL
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Call for Abstracts

IPE Pre-conference workshop of Underrepresented Scholars

The IPE Section, with generous funding and support from *Review of International Political Economy*, will be hosting a daylong pre-conference workshop for underrepresented scholars and work in IPE in advance of the 2023 ISA Convention in Montreal.

The workshop will be held on Tuesday, March 14th, at the conference hotel, and will give scholars an opportunity to meet with members of the *RIPE* editorial board and receive feedback on a manuscript they intend to submit to *RIPE* or another journal. Travel stipends will be provided to all participants.

Our top priority is meeting the needs of scholars who might otherwise have a hard time accessing the professional networks that tend to lead to professional opportunities and publications and/or whose perspectives are underrepresented in IPE, especially scholars in the Global South, those without tenured/tenure-track appointments, and Black and indigenous scholars. We are also especially interested in proposals that challenge the conventional boundaries of IPE.

To apply for this workshop, please submit the following to RIPEjournal@gmail.com by October 15th:

- An abstract of the paper you intend to present at the workshop (<250 words)
- A short biographical statement explaining how you and/or your work challenge the conventional boundaries of IPE (<250 words)

Please include "ISA IPE workshop" in the subject line.

Note that workshop participants must be ISA members and registered for the 2023 Annual Convention. Recognizing continuous disruptions and barriers to international travel, *RIPE* is planning to hold a separate online feedback workshop in the second half of 2023.

