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Rethinking Authoritarian Power: The Logistics Space and Authoritarian Practices in and Between Secondary Port Cities of the Global South

Alke Jenss & Benjamin Scheutze

Blue Economy Meets International Political Economy: The Emerging Picture

Shailly Kedia & Priyanka Guatam

Shaping the Post-COVID-19 Paradigm in India: Some Imperatives for Greening the Economic Recovery.

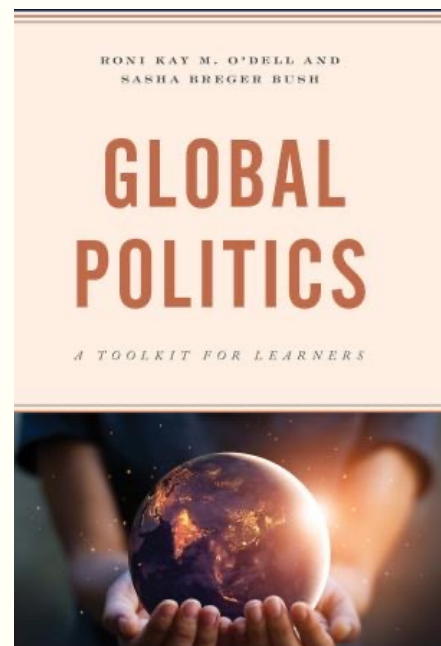
Shailly Kedia, Rita Pandey & Ria Sinha

Global Politics: A Toolkit for Learners

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Is IR Theory White? Racialised Subject-Positioning in Three Canonical Studies

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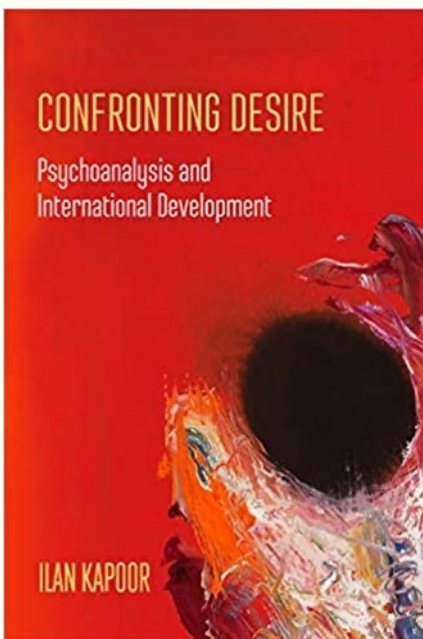
Creative Presence: Settler Colonialism, Indigenous Self-Determination and Decolonial Contemporary Artwork

Emily Merson

*The previous newsletter erroneously listed multiple authors for this book.
Emily Merson is the sole author of *Creative Presence*.

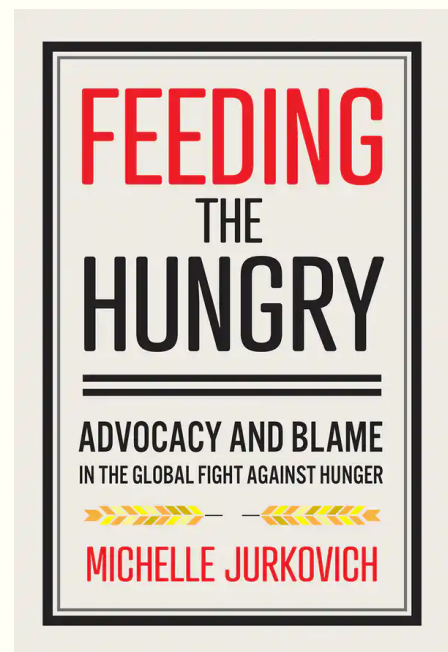
Confronting Desire: Psychoanalysis and International Development

Ilan Kapoor



Feeding the Hungry: Advocacy and Blame in the Fight Against Hunger

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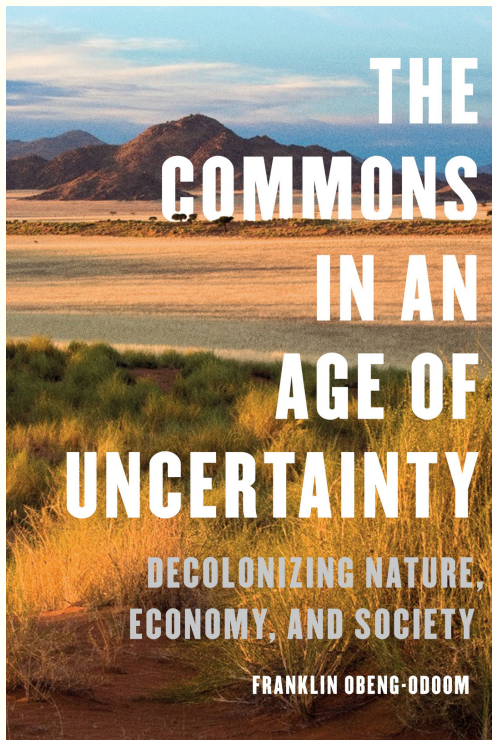
Voices from the ground: From COVID-19 to radical transformation of our food systems

Nora Mckeon & Thierry Kesteloot

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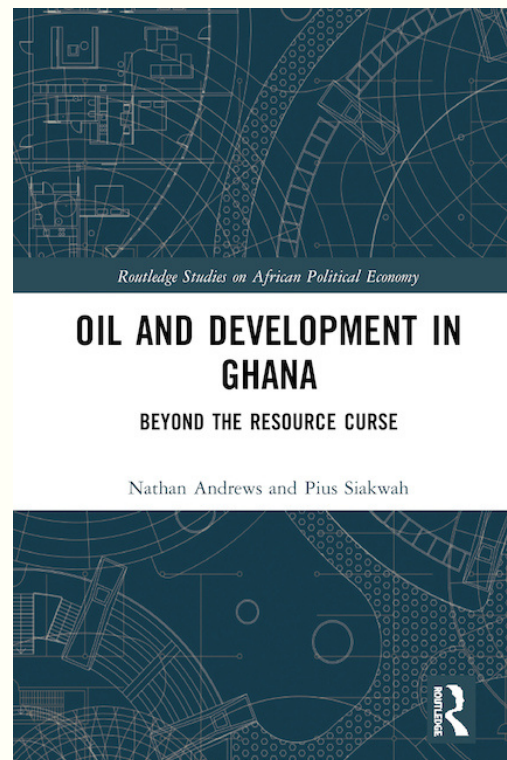
The Commons in an age of Uncertainty: Decolonizing Nature, Economy, and Society.

Franklin Obeng-Odoom



Oil and Development in Ghana: Beyond the Resource Curse

Nathan Andrews & Pius Siakwah



Collective learning at the boundaries of communities: Inclusive policymaking at the World Bank

Maïka Sondarjee

Change and Stability at the World Bank: Translation of Inclusive Practices through Neoliberal Rationality

Maïka Sondarjee

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[Introduction to Special Forum on Reclaiming Democracy from Below: From the Contemporary State Capitalist System to Peoples' Sovereignty](#)

Nora McKeon & Gonzalo Berron

[The sustainable development conundrum in gold mining: Exploring 'Open, Prior and Independent Deliberate Discussion' as a community-centered framework](#)

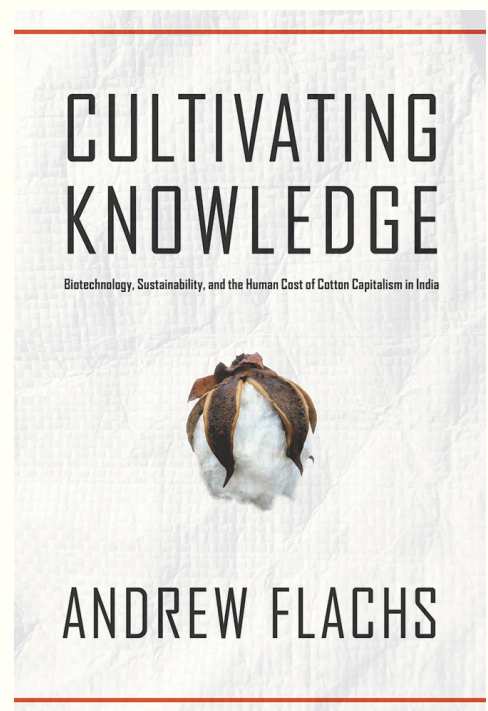
Nathan Andrews & Marcellinus Essah

[Security for whom? Analysing hybrid security governance in Africa's extractive sectors](#)

Charris Enns, Nathan Andrews, J Andrew Grant

[Cultivating Knowledge: Biotechnology, Sustainability, and the Human Cost of Cotton Capitalism in India](#)

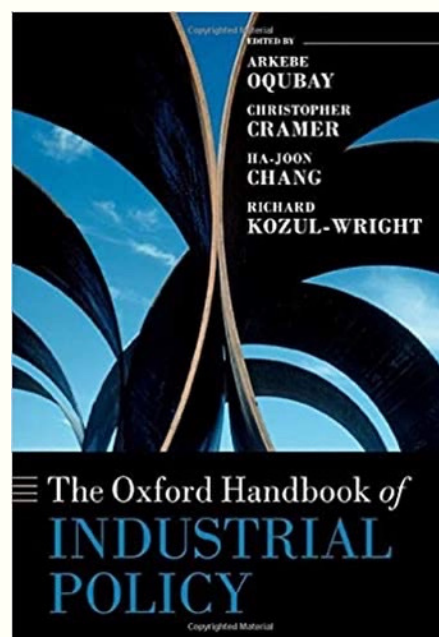
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'Globalization Narratives and Industrial Policies' in *The Oxford Handbook of Industrial Policy*.

Daniel E. Esser & James H. Mittleman



How is the world organized economically?

V. Spike Peterson

Problematic premises: Positivism, modernism and masculinism in IPE

V. Spike Peterson

Introduction: Engaging Geopolitics through the Lens of the Intimate

Elena Barabantseva, Aoileann Ní Mhurchú & V. Spike Peterson

Family Matters in Racial Logics: Tracing Intimacies, Inequalities, Ideologies

V. Spike Peterson

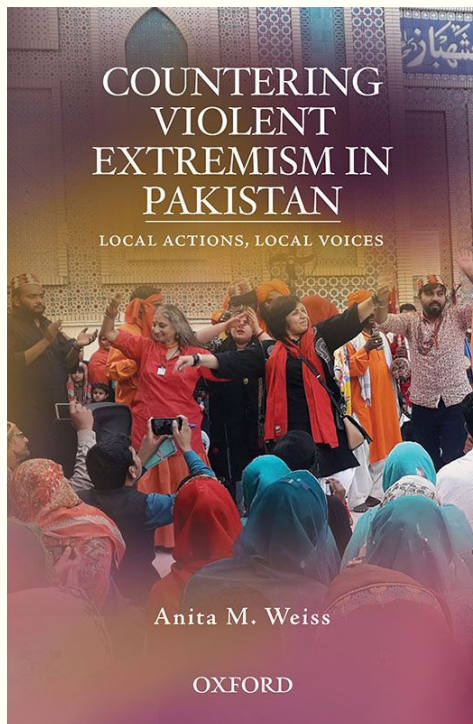
The Gendered Political Economy of Insecurity

V. Spike Peterson

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Countering Violent Extremism in Pakistan

Anita M. Weiss



This book identifies and analyzes the impact of the various ways in which local people are responding, taking stands, recapturing their culture, and saying ‘stop’ to the violent extremism that has manifested over the past decade (even longer) in Pakistan. Local groups throughout Pakistan are engaging in various kinds of social negotiations and actions to lessen the violence that has plagued the country since the 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan which let loose a barrage of violence that overflowed into its borders. This book, hence, focuses on finding the sparks of hope that local people are creating to counter violent extremism based on close ethnographic study of ground realities about not only what people are doing but why they are selecting these kinds of actions, how they are creating alternative narratives about culture and identity, and their vision of a future without violence.

Violence and the Third World in International Relations

Randolph B. Persaud, Narendran Kumarakulasingam

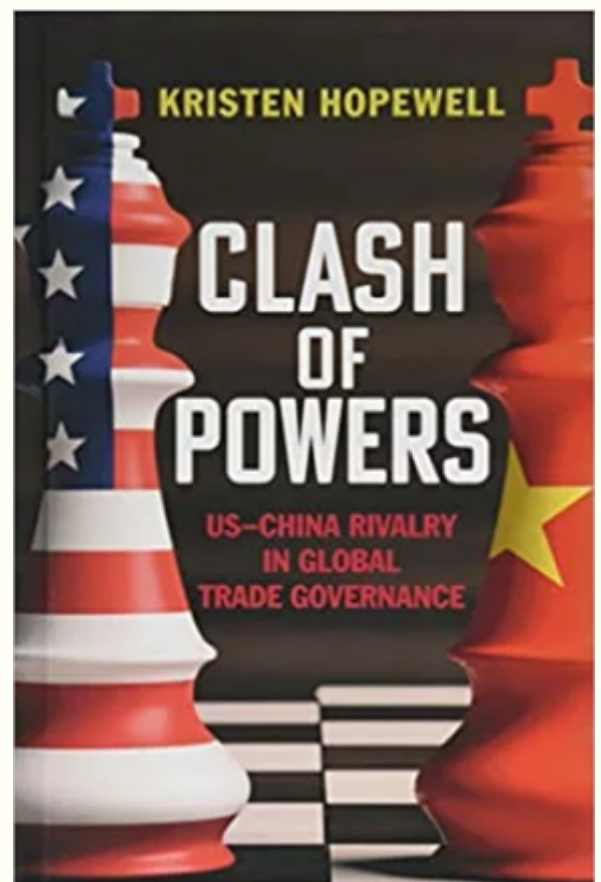


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Clash of Powers: US-China Rivalry in Global Trade Governance.

Kristen Hopewell

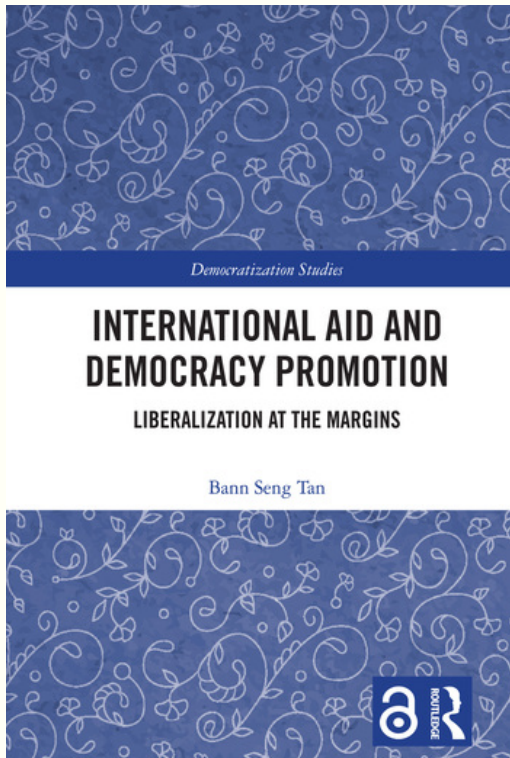
The US-China trade war instigated by President Trump has thrown the multilateral trading system into a crisis. Drawing on vast interview and documentary materials, Hopewell shows how US-China conflict had already paralyzed the system of international rules and institutions governing trade. The China Paradox – the fact that China is both a developing country and an economic powerhouse – creates significant challenges for global trade governance and rule-making. While China demands exemptions from global trade disciplines as a developing country, the US refuses to extend special treatment to its rival. The implications of this conflict extend far beyond trade, impeding pro-development and pro-environment reforms of the global trading system. As one of the first analyses of the implications of US-China rivalry for the governance of global trade, this book is crucial to our understanding of China's impact on the global trading system and on the liberal international economic order.



Inter-State Competition and Transnational Capitalists across the North-South Divide: Different Strategies, New Configurations of Power

Amy Quark, Kristen Hopewell, Elias Alsbergas

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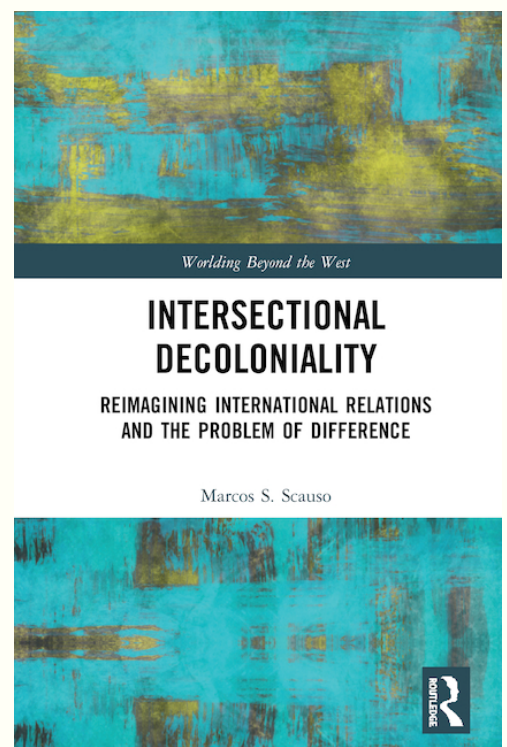


*International Aid and Democracy Promotion:
Liberalization at the Margins*

Bann Seng Tan

*Intersectional Decoloniality:
Reimagining International Relations and the Problem of
Difference*

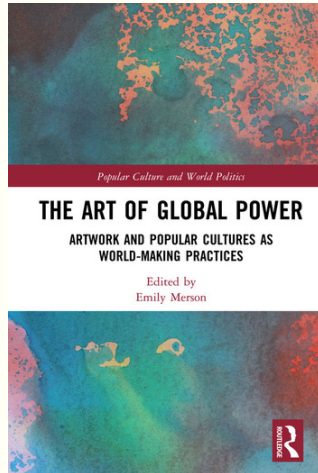
Marcos S. Scauso



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[The Art of Global Power: Artwork and Popular Cultures as World-Making Practices](#)

Emily Merson



[COVID-19, Democracies, and \(De\)Colonialities](#)

Marcos S. Scauso et al.

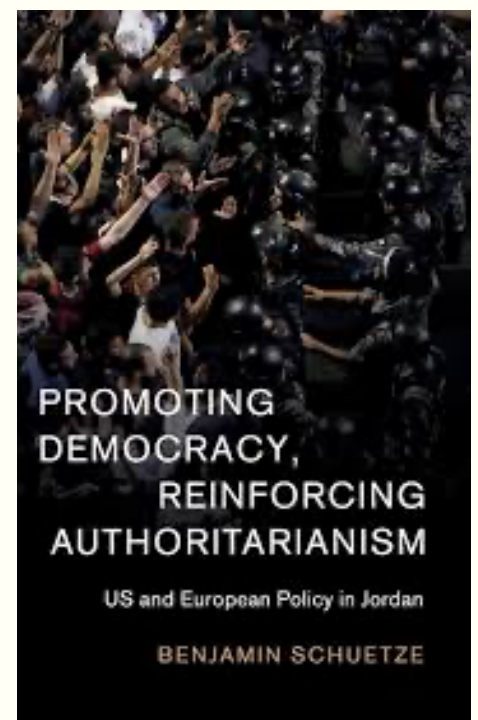
BOOK REVIEWS

[Promoting Democracy, Reinforcing Authoritarianism: US and European Policy in Jordan](#)

Curtis R. Ryan

[Promoting Democracy and Reinforcing Authoritarianism: US and European Policy in Jordan](#)

Tuğçe Yıldız



MESSAGE FROM THE SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE

Dear GDS colleagues,

As some of you may (or may not) know, GDS had planned a series of solidarity and educational activities for the conference in Hawai'i. The idea being that as we are a section invested in the intersectional study of race, coloniality, gender, and capitalism, as well as modes, sites and practices of liberation, resistance and decolonisation, there was (and always is) a need to think and be 'present' with the indigenous activists and scholars of the place, itself. 'Place' and solidarity have very specific meanings in Hawai'i, and we thought it was important to build this into our own practices, learning and scholarship, if we were going to be there.

But of course, we didn't get to be together in Hawai'i. Nor will we be meeting face to face in Las Vegas this year. Our conference will be a virtual one, and there will be a less connected, less social space in which to mobilise and organise together. But, this initial thinking about solidarity in Hawai'i has led to the development of a more permanent Solidarity Committee at GDS; and an opportunity to begin thinking about how solidarity is (or at least should be) a fundamental part of our collective praxis, particular when we meet together in these large-scale annual conferences.

For this year, we are planning a more complex conversation that hopefully helps us contend with what it means to build solidarity that is 'in place' – the grounded, landed experience of being in a particular site – and also outside place, in the virtual (but still material), global operations of our online conference.

We have a few ideas in mind – one of which is to curate an online playlist (using the GDS YouTube channel - yes, we have a YouTube channel!) to share different events and activities of the past year that helps us think through solidarity at these multiple scales (in addition to material we had already collected on Hawaiian self-determination and sovereignty work). In light of which, we are inviting you all to send us links to any recorded activities, lectures, performances, etc. that you have been part of or found particularly meaningful during this time. We'd be happy to curate them as part of the playlist, along with a small summary of how it relates to the theme of solidarity.

We also want to bring Hawai'i (the place we didn't get to go), Las Vegas (the place we are allegedly supposed to be in April) and the 'virtual forum' (the place we are forced to be) into conversation, to help us think through what solidarity might look like in and between these different 'locations'. And so we also wanted to ask your help in identifying/reaching out to different communities and grassroots organisations working in/on these sites, including those resisting/dealing with issues of power, presence, erasure and censorship in/by online space (and how it enhances operations of power on the ground). Our hope is to give these groups a platform through GDS and think with you all about how to best accomplish this.

If you have any material you'd like to see curated as part of this project, leads on communities and grassroots organizations doing solidarity work in Hawai'i, Nevada, or in relation to virtual platforms, or are interested in helping to organize this project, please contact Sharri Plonski (s.plonski@qmul.ac.uk) and Isaac Kamola (ikamola@trincoll.edu)

In solidarity for a better world,

--Tuti Baker, Sharri Plonski, Olivia Rutazibwa, and Isaac Kamola (GDS Solidarity Committee)

NOW HIRING!

GDS Social Media Job

Seeking Twitter and (basic) web design skills

The Global Development Section of the ISA is seeking a Research Assistant in the area of social media. Tasks involve setting up a new Twitter account, establishing followers, creating content, scheduling posts, and responding to inquiries leading up to the 2021 online Convention of the International Studies Association. Additionally, the RA will support the GDS in setting up a basic website.

Pay: \$20/hour (USD) for a total of 50 hours of work. Hours are flexible leading up to the 2021 Convention, but will be significantly concentrated in the week of the ISA Convention (April 6 - 9, 2021).

The successful applicant will be a graduate student and member in good standing of the International Studies Association Global Development Section, and have excellent social media skills.

Please submit a CV or resume (including the names and contact of 2 references and/or urls of websites or social media accounts you've worked on) with cover letter addressed to:

Ajay Parasram - parasram@dal.ca

*Be sure to include "GDS Social Media RA-ship Application" in the subject heading of your application.



EDWARD SAID AWARD: GDS GRADUATE PAPER AWARD

The ISA Global Development Studies (GDS) Section is pleased to announce the call for submissions for the 2021 Edward Said Award. The Edward Said Award has been established to honor the intellectual legacy of Professor Said and to recognize outstanding Graduate Research.

General Information

To be eligible for the Edward Said Award, you will be:

1. A current graduate student (at the time of submitting the paper).
2. A member of the ISA Global Development Section (for instructions on joining, see www.isanet.org/ISA/Sections/GDS)
3. Accepted to the ISA 2021 Program to present the paper you wish to submit to be considered for the Award.
4. Attending the ISA 2021 Virtual Convention (barring any exceptional, unforeseen circumstances).

Prize

1. The winner will receive the Award during the GDS Section Reception at the Virtual Convention; in addition to the Award, the winner will also receive a small cash prize of \$200.00.
2. To find out about our previous winners, please follow the link in the panel on the right of this page.

Selection Process

1. The submissions will be evaluated by the Awards Committee, and the winner will be notified one week before the commencement of the ISA 2021 Virtual Convention.
2. Committee members will be looking for papers that make a distinctive contribution either conceptually, empirically, or both to the broad field of Global Development Studies.

Apply For This Award

Eligible candidates should make sure that papers intended for submission to the GDS Awards Committee are fully referenced, no less than 7000 and no more than 9000 words in length, and satisfy the basic editorial requirements for a journal article submission.

The paper should not have been accepted or even submitted for consideration for publication until award results have been informed.

Please send papers you wish to be considered for this Award to the following e-mail address by Wednesday February 23, 2021: gdsaward@gmail.com.

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