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CHAPITRE D'OUVRAGE COLLECTIF



## Former ou transformer les expertes en genre depuis le Sud: les défis d'un programme de formation en Afrique de l'Ouest

Depuis vingt-cinq ans, l'expertise en genre et développement s'invente comme une des modalités majeures de l'engagement contre les inégalités liées au sexe, particulièrement dans les pays du Sud.

Mais comment se constitue cette expertise, et avec quels enjeux épistémologiques, politiques, de pouvoirs...? Dans un chapitre de *Savoirs féministes au Sud: expertes en genre et tournant décolonial* (dir. Chr. Verschuur, L'Harmattan, 2019), **Christine Verschuur**, Cheikh Sadibou Sakho et Yvette Onibon Doubogan problématisent ces questions à la lumière d'un programme articulé autour d'une perspective décoloniale, voire «décolonialiste», des savoirs.

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CHAPITRE D'OUVRAGE COLLECTIF

### Repenser la critique de l'orientalisme: production des savoirs et perspectives féministes progressistes

Les recherches postcoloniales ont permis de réfuter les descriptions homogènes que propose l'Occident de «la femme musulmane» ou «la femme orientale exotique» et de révéler leur racisme sous-jacent. Dans le chapitre qu'elle a rédigé pour l'ouvrage collectif mentionné plus haut, alors qu'elle était professeure invitée à l'institut, **Özlem Altan-Olcay** constate cet apport et cherche à penser des voies pour reconnaître les revendications exprimées, partout, pour des droits séculaires, libéraux ou socio-économiques tout en déconstruisant «la femme musulmane exotique».

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CHAPITRE D'OUVRAGE COLLECTIF

### Savoirs féministes et expertise de genre à l'épreuve des crises de réfugié-es, des déplacements de longue durée et du développement

Dans leur contribution à l'ouvrage collectif mentionné plus haut, **Katarzyna Grabska**, Senior Fellow au Global Migration Centre, et An Van Raemdonck emploient deux études de cas (le camp de réfugié-es de Kakuma, au Kenya, et le déplacement de Syrien·nes en Jordanie) pour porter un regard historique sur les contributions de la pensée féministe et de l'intégration du genre aux interventions humanitaires. Jusqu'où s'agit-il, avec cette intégration, de «civiliser» l'«autre»? Et comment les réfugié-es transforment-ils et elles, dans leurs pratiques, la signification impérialiste de l'égalité de genre?

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ARTICLE

### The Gender Responsiveness of Social Marketing Interventions Focused on Neglected Tropical Diseases

To what extent are social marketing interventions focusing on neglected tropical diseases gender responsive? A study by **Claire Somerville**, Executive Director of the Gender Centre, Nathaly Aya Pastrana and L. Suzanne Suggs examined 20 interventions addressing eight neglected tropical diseases in 13 countries (in *Global Health Action*, online January 2020). Many interventions showed positive actions towards gender responsiveness. However, only one was classified as gender responsive. Others failed to supply enough data for assessment. Recommendations

about how sex and gender could be integrated into social marketing interventions are provided.

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## Governance



### MONOGRAPH

#### **The Quest for Legitimacy in Chinese Politics: A New Interpretation**

In his last book (Routledge, 2019), **Lanxin Xiang** examines the understanding of legitimacy in Chinese political philosophy. He sees in the current crisis a consequence of the incompatibility of Confucian Republicanism and Soviet-inspired

Bolshevism. The discourse on Chinese political reform tends to polarise, between total westernisation on the one hand, or the rejection of western influence in all forms on the other. The author points to a third solution – meeting western democratic theories halfway, avoiding another round of violent revolution.

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### EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

#### **Supranational Diplomats**

This chapter by **Stephanie Hofmann** and Olivier Schmitt-Navarin in *Global Diplomacy: An Introduction to Theory and Practice* (T. Balzacq, Fr. Charillon and Fr. Ramel, eds., Palgrave Macmillan, January 2020) presents major works dealing with supranational political diplomatic actors and action, focussing on four approaches in international relations: neofunctionalism, principal-agent approaches, diplomatic practices, and international authority. While the EU remains a prominent IO when looking for supranational diplomacy, the different approaches have been extended to different IOs that operate either on the regional or the global level.

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Ce chapitre est paru en français sous le titre

#### **Diplomaties supra-étatiques**

dans *Manuel de diplomatie* (mêmes directeurs, Presses de Science Po, 2018).

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### CONFERENCE

#### **The Birth of International Relations**

Last Autumn **Robert Vitalis**, Professor of Political Science at the University of Pennsylvania, delivered a talk at the Graduate Institute based on his book *White World Order, Black Power Politics: The Birth of American International Relations* (Cornell University Press, 2015), in which he unveils how racism and imperialism affected the way that diplomatic history and international relations were taught and understood in the American academy.

Read more [here >](#) on the ideas, implications and outcomes that emerged from the research for the book and the new research directions that it has led to.

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## Democracy and Civil Society



### ARTICLE

#### **Naked Bodies and Collective Action: Repertoires of Protest in Uganda's Militarised, Authoritarian Regime**

How can citizens living under authoritarian militarised regimes exercise political voice? A recent article for *Civil Society* (online November 2019), co-authored by **Rebecca Tapscott**, Visiting Lecturer in

Interdisciplinary Programmes and Ambizione Research Fellow at the Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy, finds that in Uganda naked protest both empowers individuals and reveals the extremely limited space for political expression at their disposal.

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### ARTICLE

#### **Understanding the Use of Recall Referendums: Evidence from Ecuador**

Why are recall referendums increasingly used? This article for *International Political Science Review* (June 2019) by **Yanina Welp**, Research Associate at the Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy, and Ana Sofía Castellanos explains the frequency on the grounds of three sets of variables: growing citizen dissatisfaction, institutional design, and the activity of parties using the mechanism against their rivals. As a theoretical novelty, it proposes an additional variable: the role of electoral management bodies (EMBs) in allowing or preventing recall attempts.

[Interview with Yanina Welp >](#)

### EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

#### **Varieties of Voice: Ballot Box, Courts and Streets**

Under what conditions are ballot boxes, courts and the streets complementary and under what conditions are they mutually subversive? In *A Bias for Hope* (Italic Digital Editions, May 2019), **Shalini Randeria** finds, in particular, that large-scale street mobilisation imparts a greater sense of power to citizens than the use of the ballot box when people feel that their vote for or against politicians won't change government policies dictated by external powerful actors. Also, because of international media attention, such mobilisation in small countries has greater international resonance, and perhaps even domestic repercussions, than an election.

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### EDITED BOOK

#### **Wenn Demokratien demokratisch untergehen**

A book on "When Democracies Perish Democratically" edited by K. Hasewend, L. Hagedorned and **Sh. Randeria** (Passagen Verlag, 2019).

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## Conflict, Dispute Settlement and Peacebuilding



EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

### **The Foreign Policy of the United States: Indispensable No More?**

Is the United States' global power and influence in decline? In *Europe and America: The End of the Transatlantic Relationship* (F. Bindi, ed., Brookings Institution Press, 2019), **Jussi Hanhimäki** answers this question by providing a

historical analysis of America's interaction with the rest of the world since the end of the Cold War. He argues that the United States, despite what its president's rhetoric, and many observers, suggest, remains the indispensable guarantor of the existing international order.

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PHD THESIS

### **Bargaining over Maritime Boundaries in Times of Legal Uncertainty**

There is important variation in the ways states draw their common maritime boundaries. Some are able to sign maritime boundary agreements quickly and without significant disagreements, whereas others enter into lengthy disputes over where their common boundary should lie. Interestingly, there are also many states who do not seem to be very interested in drawing their maritime boundaries with their neighbouring states. In his PhD thesis in International Relations/Political Science (2019), **Abdurrahman Umut Yüksel** starts making sense of this variation.

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## Culture, Identity and Religion



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### **Seeing Whites: Views of Black Brazilians in Rio de Janeiro**

Black Brazilians identify whites in three interrelated ways: (1) as skin colour; (2) as the privileged class; and (3) as those who racially discriminate against them. While working-class interviewees relate white privilege to phenotype, such as

whites benefiting from societal definitions of beauty, middle-class respondents see white privilege in the widespread assumption that certain occupations and spaces are "naturally" white. Across social classes, however, interviewees largely disagree about the awareness of whites of their own privilege and the best ways to address and interact with it. Such are the findings of **Graziella Moraes Silva**, Luciana Souza Leão and Barbara Grillo's article (in *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, published online March



2019).

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#### ARTICLE

### **In Search of Lost Time: Memory-Framing, Bilateral Identity-Making, and European Security**

Bilateral relations between France and either Germany or the UK are the backbone of European security and defence cooperation. In this article for the *Journal of Common Market Studies* (first published November 2019), **Stephanie Hofmann** and Frédéric Mérand track the memory-framing processes accompanying the creation of major bilateral initiatives. They find that Franco-German identity undergirds a policy-based integration of core state powers while Franco-British identity informs capacity-building and force projection (a resource-based integration). These bilateral identities led to earmarking national military forces for common purposes and intertwined defence industries.

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#### EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

### **Nationality, Race and Ethnicity: The Example of South Africa**

Speaking from different ideological standpoints about the role and meaning of nation-building, most South African scholars today believe the country is still largely divided along racial and ethnic lines. Relying on survey and in-depth interviews, this chapter by **Graziella Moraes Silva** shows that while racial identification remains embedded and its meaning taken for granted, national identification is positively valued but less entrenched. For black interviewees, in particular, constructing a meaningful national identity from the political transition remains a challenge (in *La nationalité: enjeux et perspectives*, A. Dionisi-Peyrusse and others, eds., Institut Universitaire Varenne, 2019).

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#### EDITED BOOK CHAPTER

### **Silêncio: reagindo à saúde da população negra em burocracias do SUS**

This chapter (in Portuguese) analyses the everyday practices of street-level bureaucrats implementing a programme targeting the black population in different basic health units with Family Health Strategy (FHS) in Rio de Janeiro (in *Implementando desigualdades: reprodução de desigualdades na implementação de políticas públicas*, Instituto de Pesquisa Econômica Aplicada, 2019). Relying on ethnographic data, Jaciane Milanezi and **Graziella Moraes Silva** identify the silencing racial inequalities in these practices. While silencing does not necessarily rely on racist ideas of individuals, it allows the reproduction of racial health inequalities in primary care of the universal unified health system.

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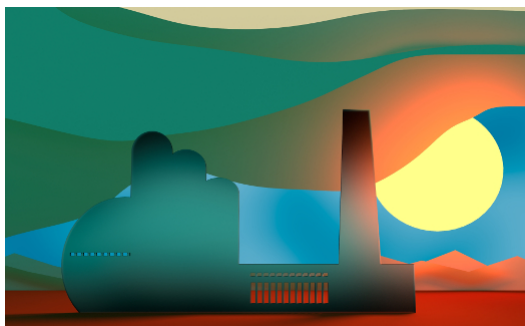
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## **Trade and Economic Integration**

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### **Du "défi américain" à l'expansion européenne: les relations**



## économiques transatlantiques des années 1950 aux années 1970

Using the case of the Belgian grocer Delhaize – its participation in US technical assistance programmes in the 1950s, the challenges it faced in the 1960s, and its expansion into US markets in the 1970s –

**Grace Ballor**, Research Fellow in International History, offers a new

dimension to the history of twentieth-century transatlantic relations by examining them through the perspective of business (article in French, in *Relations internationales*, no. 180, 2019).

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### ARTICLE

#### **GVC Journeys: Industrialisation and Deindustrialisation in the Age of the Second Unbundling**

The current globalization sees offshoring, fragmentation and global value chains driven by trade liberalisation as well as knowledge transfer. In their article for the *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies* (vol. 52, June 2019), **Richard Baldwin** and Toshihiro Okubo first distinguish between trade in final goods and trade in parts to track the shifting pattern of the location of manufacturing and introduce a simple empirical measure of comparative advantage in parts on one hand and in final goods on the other. They then illustrate how this distinction can help organise thinking on the patterns of industrialisation and deindustrialisation – namely the “GVC journeys diagram” of advanced and emerging economies.

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### PHD THESIS

#### **WTO Dispute Settlement as A “Members Driven” System: Resolving Internal Tension in an Age of Divergence between Original Contract and Subsequent Practice**

After more than twenty years of operation, the WTO dispute settlement system, despite all its contributions to the rule-based international trade regime, is not free from internal problems. In his PhD thesis in International Law (2019), **Hsien Wu** finds that the source of these internal conflicts consists of a gap between the original contract – the Dispute Settlement Understanding, which placed the system under the collective control of the WTO membership – and subsequent practices, which put it under the lead of the judicial body or powerful WTO members. He then proposes a number of solutions to restore the collective control of the WTO membership.

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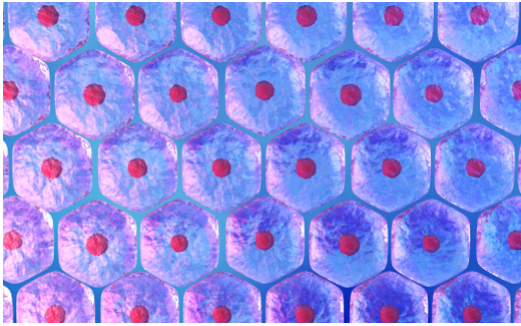
#### **Three Essays on Trade Policy and Institutions**

This thesis in International Economics by **Woori Lee** (2019) explores less conventional ways of integrating into global value chains (GVCs) and boosting trade: by liberalising the services sector (chapter 1), by utilising informal institutions (chapter 2), and by taking advantage of third-country regional trade agreements (RTAs) (chapter 3).

[Repository >](#) (PDF available to the Graduate Institute community).



## Global Health



PHD THESIS

### **Making Stem Cell Therapies Work: An Ethnography of Cellular Practices in India**

Stem cell treatment-making in India is an innovative way of making stem cell therapies work through a clinical practice approach, involving a flexible standardisation of treatment protocols and

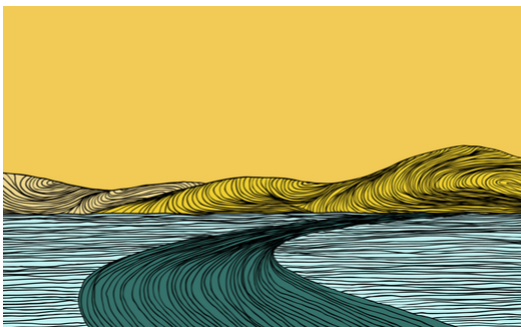
requiring the collaboration of patients in making live cells work within their bodies. So argues **Gabriela Hertig** in her PhD thesis in Anthropology and Sociology of Development (2019). At the same time, the scientific techniques, therapeutic results as well as commercial scale that unfold in the everyday are very different from the spectacular representations of a major transformation of biomedicine or the fears about dangerous practices in India that prevail in existing bioethical, policy and social science literature.

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## Environment and Natural Resource



ARTICLE

### **What We Know (and Could Know) about International Environmental Agreements**

Initiated in 2002, the International Environmental Agreements Database (IEADB) catalogs the texts, memberships, and design features of over 3,000 multilateral and bilateral environmental

agreements. Using IEADB data, **Liliana Andonova, James Hollway** and others create a comprehensive review of the evolution of international environmental law, including how the number, subjects, and state memberships in IEAs have changed over time (in *Global Environmental Politics*, vol. 20, no. 1, February 2020). The IEADB's structure and content open up both broad research realms and specific research questions, and facilitates the ability of scholars to use the IEADB to answer those questions of greatest interest to them.

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REPORT

### **Blockchain in the Mining Industry: Implications for Sustainable Development in Africa**

The fast adoption of distributed ledger technologies and blockchain-based initiatives for governing natural resources by creating immutable digital records of sourcing and geological information engenders new opportunities and risks for mining



communities across Africa. **Filipe Calvão** and Victoria Gronwald's SAIIA Policy Insight (no 74, South African Institute of International Affairs, 2019) shows that these include the creation, ownership and access of digital data, the participatory role of upstream actors, and the effects of monitoring and traceability for informal miners and the future of sustainable development in mining communities.

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PHD THESIS

### **From Exception to Promotion: Re-Thinking the Relationship between International Trade and Environmental Law**

Using broad historical narratives and focusing on the individuals driving the international trade and environmental regimes, **Elena Cima's** PhD thesis in International Law (2019) describes the broad evolution over time of the trade/environment interaction. By doing so, it unveils the driving forces behind this evolution, while developing a new conceptual framework which would allow to capture more recent phenomena that were not visible through the old and still largely prevailing neoliberal lenses.

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## **Development Finance, Policies and Practices**



ARTICLE

### **Firm Response to Competitive Shocks: Evidence from China's Minimum Wage Policy**

The large regional variation in minimum wage levels during 2002–08 in China implies that Chinese manufacturing firms experienced competitive shocks as a function of firm location and their low-

wage employment share. In their contribution to *The Review of Economic Studies* (rdz058, January 2020), Harald Hau and **Yi Huang** find that minimum wage hikes accelerate the input substitution from labor to capital, reduce employment growth and accelerate total factor productivity growth – particularly among the less productive firms under private Chinese or foreign ownership, but not among state-owned enterprises. The heterogeneous firm response to labor cost shocks can be explained by differences in management practices, and suggests that management quality and competitive pressure are complementary.

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### **Social Networks in Economic History: Opportunities and Challenges**

In this empirical article, **Rui Esteves** and Gabriel Geisler Mesevage aim to assist economic historians in identifying whether networks may be useful frameworks for their research agendas (in *Economic History*, vol. 74, October 2019). They highlight the main challenges in using social network methods, namely, measurement error, data completeness, and the usual threats to identification of causal effects. They also review the burgeoning literature in economic history that applies network methods,

organised along four main themes: markets, financial intermediation, politics and knowledge diffusion.

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### **Public Debt through the Ages**

In this history of public debt (in *Sovereign Debt: A Guide for Economists and Practitioners*, S. Ali Abbas, A. Pienkowski and K. Rogoff, eds., OUP, October 2019), **Rui Esteves** and others consider not only periods when debt-to-GDP ratios rose explosively as a result of wars, depressions and financial crises, but also successful debt consolidation episodes, and analyse the economic and political circumstances that made those successes possible.

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Already published as NBER Working Paper 25494 (January 2019):

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WORKING PAPER

### **The Global Financial Cycle and Capital Flow Episodes: A Wobbly Link?**

Beatrice Scheubel, Livio Stracca and **Cédric Tille** build a new measure of the global financial cycle (GFC) based on a structural factor approach, which incorporates theoretical priors in its definition, and estimate the influence of the fluctuations in the GFC on capital flow episodes (sudden stops, flights, retrenchments, surges) and currency crises (ECB Working Paper 2337, European Central Bank, December 2019). They find that the nexus between the GFC and capital flow episodes is generally consistent and not very wobbly. In line with theoretical priors, the GFC is more important for sudden stops when it is more negative, i.e. the relationship is (mildly) convex, in keeping with a role for occasionally binding constraints, but the evidence for this feature is not strong.

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PHD THESIS

### **Essays in Development Economics**

**Nayantara Sarma** devotes an essay of her PhD thesis in Development Economics (2020) to domestic violence and workfare in India, focussing on the social health issue of spousal abuse and its link with household income shocks. She exploits the phased implementation of India's workfare programme to find that the programme mediates the effect of adverse rainfall shocks on domestic violence.

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Her two other essays are titled "Queuing to Leave: A New Approach to Immigration" and "The Economic Burden of Malaria: Revisiting the Evidence".

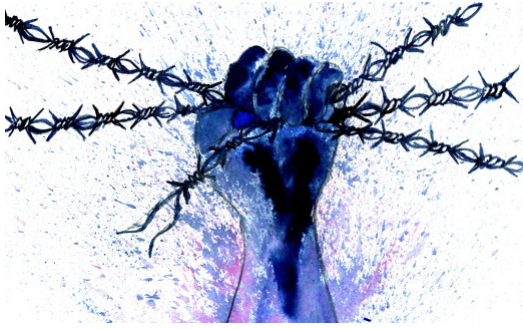
PHD THESIS

### **Making Tribal Spaces: Agency Tracts in the Andhra Region, c. 1860–1950**

This PhD thesis in International History by **Srinivas Dusi** shows how, under the colonial rule, the forest regions of Andhra underwent a transition from a precolonial fluid social space, home to various social groups and not just Adivasis, to a space of tribal exceptionalism. After Independence, these areas were renamed as scheduled areas in the Constitution of India with special laws for tribal protection.

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### **The Limits of Human Rights in Times of Armed Conflict and Other Situations of Armed Violence**

Human rights are said to be ill-adapted to times of armed conflict or for dealing with exceptional terrorist threats. In his contribution to *The Limits of Human Rights* (B. Fassbender and Knut Traisbach, eds.,

OUP, November 2019), **Andrew Clapham** tackles some of the contemporary arguments surrounding the limitations of human rights law in the face of the competing demands of winning the war and killing terrorists. It focuses on killings and detention inside and outside armed conflict. It also asks whether there are limits to the obligations we can impose on armed groups.

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## **Migration and Refugees**



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### **{The Borderzone} Living in and Reaching beyond the Touristic Borderzone: A View from Cuba**

**Valerio Simoni**, Senior Research Fellow at the Global Migration Centre, expands on the notion of the “touristic borderzone”, shedding light on the dynamics of cultural invention in power-laden encounters

between tourists and locals. Based on research among Cubans who make a living in the touristic borderzone, he analyses the significance it has for them, as well as their efforts to propel relationships with tourists beyond it (in *The Ethnography of Tourism: Edward Bruner and Beyond*, N.M. Leite and others, eds., Lexington Books, October 2019). What is highlighted, more broadly, is the importance of understanding how people articulate tourism with other realms of life, assign different values and possibilities to them, and move from one to the other.

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# **Events and Other Information**

## **Lectures and Seminars**



📅 Tuesday 18 February  
🕒 14:15 - 15:45  
📍 Petal 1, Room S5

### **Vilfredo Pareto Research Seminar**

With **Davide Cantoni**, Professor of Economics and Economic History at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München.

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📅 Thursday 20 February,  
09:00 - Friday 21  
February 2020, 18:00  
📍 Auditorium Ivan Pictet

### **Youth Transitions – A Global Interdisciplinary Policy Research Conference**

Research conference coorganised by the Centre for Finance and Development, ILO and partners of the Global Initiative on Decent Jobs for Youth, and several other partners. Marks also the launch of the first Global Network of Policy Research on Youth Transitions.

[More info and registration >](#)

📅 Thursday 20 February  
🕒 12:15 - 13:45  
📍 Auditorium 2

### **Europe after Eurocentrism? The Test of Migration and Citizenship**

An event of ANSO and International History Departments with **Chiara Bottic**, Associate Professor in Philosophy, and **Benoit Challand**, Associate Professor of Sociology, New School for Social Research and Eugene Lang College (New York).

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📅 Thursday 20 February  
🕒 12:30 - 13:45  
📍 Petal 3, room 506

### **Gender Disparities and Replication Effects within the Households. A Cambodian Case Study**

Gender Seminar with **Andres Torrico Ramirez**, researcher for the DEMETER research project.

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📅 Tuesday 25 February  
🕒 14:15 - 15:45  
📍 Petal 1, Room S5

### **Vilfredo Pareto Research Seminar**

With **Linda Tesar**, Professor of Economics at the University of Michigan.

[More info >](#)

📅 Thursday 27 February,  
9:15 – Friday 28  
February, 13:30  
📍 Maison de la paix

### **Sovereignty, Nationalism and Homogeneity in Europe between the Two World Wars**

Workshop organised by the “The Myth of Homogeneity” research project with the collaboration of the Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy and the support of the Swiss National Science Foundation and the Pierre du Bois Foundation.

[Programme \(including abstracts\) >](#)

📅 Thursday 27 February  
🕒 18:15 - 20:00  
📍 Maison de la paix

### **A World Divided: The Global Struggle for Human Rights in the Age of Nation-States**

Book presentation closing the first day of the above workshop by **Eric Weitz**, Distinguished Professor of History at City College and the Graduate Center, City University of

New York.

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📅 Thursday 27 February

🕒 12:15 - 13:30

📍 Petal 1, Room 847

**Leveraging the Power-Wielder: *De Jure***

**Accountability of International Organizations**

CIES Lunch Seminar with **Simon Montfort**, Research Assistant at CIES. As lunch is provided, please register by 24 February (noon) [by email >](#)

📅 Thursday 27 February

🕒 18:15 - 19:45

📍 Auditorium A2

**FinTech: Law and Regulation**

Book presentation and discussion panel organised by the Centre for Finance and Development with author **Jelena Madir**, General Counsel for Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance.

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📅 Friday 28 February

🕒 18:00 - 19:00

📍 Auditorium Ivan Pictet B

**The Republic of Beliefs: A New Approach to Law and Economics**

Book presentation organised by the Centre for Trade and Economic Integration with author **Kaushik Basu**.

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📅 Monday 2 March

🕒 18:30 - 20:00

📍 Auditorium A2

**Democracy: A Fragile Way of Life?**

A debate organised by the Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy with **Mohammad-Mahmoud Ould Mohamedou, Shalini Randeria** and **Till van Rahden**, Associate Professor at the Université de Montréal, Canada Research Chair in German and European Studies, and author of *Demokratie, Eine gefährdete Lebensform* (Campus Verlag, 2019).

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📅 Tuesday 3 March

🕒 14:15 - 15:45

📍 Petal 1, Room S5

**Vilfredo Pareto Research Seminar**

With **Daniel Kaufmann**, University of Neuchâtel – ETH Zürich.

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📅 Tuesday 3 March

🕒 16:15 - 18:00

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**International Rural Development in Comparative Perspective, 1950–1990**

International History Forum with **Corinna Unger**, Professor of Global and Colonial History at the European University Institute in Florence.

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📅 Monday 9 March

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**Too Small to Fail: Why Some Small Nations Outperform Larger Ones and How They Are Reshaping the World**

Author **James Breiding**, fellow at Harvard's Center for International Development, will discuss his book and the newly launched S8 Initiative.

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📅 Monday 9 March

🕒 18:30 - 20:00

**The Challenges to India's Credentials as a Democratic Republic**



📍 Auditorium A2

An event organised by the Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy with **Mukulika Banerjee**, inaugural Director of the LSE South Asia Centre and Associate Professor in Social Anthropology at the same.

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📅 Thursday 12 March

🕒 12:15 - 13:30

📍 Petal 1, Room 847

### **Leveraging the Power-Wielder: De Jure**

#### **Accountability of International Organizations**

CIES Lunch Seminar with **Noémie Laurens**, PhD candidate in Political Science, Laval University, Canada, and CIES Visiting Fellow. As lunch is provided, please register by 9 March (noon) [by email >](#)

📅 Thursday 12 March

🕒 12:30 - 13:45

📍 Petal 3, room 506

### **Home SOS: Gender, Violence and Survival in Crisis Ordinary Cambodia**

Gender Seminar with **Katherine Brickell**, Professor of Human Geography at Royal Holloway, University of London, who will present her forthcoming book.

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📅 Monday 16 -

Wednesday 18 March

📍 Maison de la paix

### **Reform or Restoration? Post-conflict Reconstruction, Private Investment and International Assistance in the MENA Region**

Conference organised jointly by the Middle East Directions Programme, the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS) at the European University Institute (EUI), the Centre on Conflict, Development and Peacebuilding (CCDP), the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies and the Geneva Peacebuilding Platform.

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📅 Tuesday 17 March

🕒 14:15 - 15:45

📍 Petal 1, Room S5

### **Vilfredo Pareto Research Seminar**

With **Ralph De Haas**, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).

[More info >](#)

📅 Tuesday 17 March

🕒 16:15 - 18:00

📍 Auditorium A2

### **The Divisive Power of Citizenship**

International History Forum with **Madeleine Herren-Oesch**, Professor of Modern History and the Director of the Institute for European Global Studies at the University of Basel.

[More info >](#)

📅 Thursday 19 March

🕒 08:00 - 19:00

📍 Auditorium Ivan Pictet

### **Data 2025**

Conference organised by the CTEI in collaboration with C4DT (EPFL).

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📅 29 February; if  
preproposal selected, full  
proposal 11 April

### **Preproposal for GSPI Impact Collaboration Programme**

Aimed at science-policy including researchers (affiliated to any academic institution in the world) and IOs and/or global NGOs (from the Geneva ecosystem). Provides seed funding and in-kind support to projects that develop or apply methodologies to foster data-driven decision-making.

**More info >**

📅 29 February

### **Call to Join the Swiss Young Academy initiative**

Membership gives young researchers the opportunity to carry out inter- and transdisciplinary projects.

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📅 1 March

### **SNSF Doc.Mobility**

Aimed at doctoral students who wish to enhance their scientific profile by working at a research institution abroad. Includes a grant towards living costs, a flat-rate for travel expenses and, if justified, a contribution towards research and conference costs as well as matriculation fees. From 6 to 18 months.

**More info >**

📅 1 March

### **SNSF Early Postdoc.Mobility**

Aimed at early-career postdocs who wish to enhance their scientific profile by working at a research institution abroad. Includes a grant towards living costs, a flat-rate for travel expenses and a contribution to research, conference and matriculation costs if necessary. In principle 18 months (or for no less than 12 months in justified cases).

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📅 10 March

### **SNSF Doc.CH**

Aimed at promising researchers who wish to write a doctoral thesis on a topic of their own choice in the humanities and social sciences in Switzerland. Besides the salary of the doctoral student, may include a contribution towards costs directly related to project implementation.

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📅 11 March

### **SNSF Spark**

Aimed at any applicant with a doctorate or equivalent qualifications who has a project showing unconventional thinking and introducing a unique approach. Spark is a pilot funding scheme for 2019–2020; its regulations are currently being updated.

**More info >**

📅 1 April

### **SNSF Project Funding**

Aimed at qualified researchers who define their research themes and objectives themselves and conduct their project under their own responsibility. From 1 to 4 years.

[More info >](#)

📅 1 June

### **SNSF Sinergia**

Sinergia promotes the interdisciplinary collaboration of 2 to 4 research groups that propose breakthrough research. No less than 2 and no more than 4 applicants may apply together. From 1 to 4 years.

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📅 All year round

### **SNSF SPIRIT**

The Swiss Programme for International Research by Scientific Investigation Teams promotes team-oriented cross-border research.

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## **Application for Prizes**

📅 31 mars 2020

🕒 Hours

📍 Location

### **Candidatures aux Prix Duroselle 2020**

Ces deux prix sont décernés chaque année par l'Institut d'histoire des relations internationales contemporaines (IHRIC, Paris) à l'auteur de la meilleure thèse et l'auteur du meilleur mémoire de master en histoire des relations internationales.

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## **Visitors**

📅 4 February–6 July

📍 IR/PS Department

### **Leyla Radjai**

Coming from Waseda University, Leyla Radjai will work with Liliana Andonova on "Comparative Policy Studies in the Regionalisation of Higher Education in Europe and Asia".

📅 18 February–31 July

📍 CTEI

### **Paola Mariani**

Coming from Bocconi University, Professor Paola Mariani will work with Paola Gaeta on "Economic Cooperation in Europe outside the EU: Rethinking Union Models of Agreements with Third European Countries in the Age of Rule-Based International Order Crisis".

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