DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

ONLINE WEBINAR SERIES, 2021

TERM 2, WEDNESDAYS 15.00-17.00 GMT

3 February
Urban Displacements: Governing Surplus and Survival in Global Capitalism
Susanne Soederberg (Queen’s University, Ontario)

This webinar examines how historical and geographical configurations of monetised power, including landlords, employers, and inter-scalar state practices have served to reproduce rental housing insecurity and silence its gendered, class and racialised underpinnings.

10 February
Thinking the Border Otherwise: Survival and Solidarity
Nivi Manchanda (Queen Mary University, London)
Discussant: Rahul Rao (SOAS)

This talk addresses the question of whether, and in what ways, the border matters beyond its physical infrastructure by excavating the foundational political thought of Gloria Anzaldúa, Temsula Ao, Jean Genet, and Huey Newton.

3 March
Building Politics: Urban Transformation and (Un)Making Markets in Istanbul and Cairo
Sarah El-Kazaz (SOAS)
Discussant: Matt Eagleton-Pierce (SOAS)

This webinar argues that neoliberalisation has shifted rather than decimated the terrain upon which redistributive struggles are unfolding.

10 March
Book Discussion on ‘Aid Imperium: United States Foreign Policy and Human Rights in Post-Cold War Southeast Asia’
Salvador Regilme (Leiden University)
Discussant: Steve Heder (SOAS)

Does foreign aid promote human rights? As the world’s largest aid donor, the United States has provided foreign assistance to more than 200 countries. This seminar presentation discusses the key arguments and findings from the forthcoming book Aid Imperium.

24 March
Agrarian Change in the Chao Phraya Delta (1950-2020)
François Molle (Institut de Recherche pour le Développement, France)
Discussant: Jonathan Rigg (University of Bristol)
Co-Sponsor: Department of Development Studies, SOAS

This seminar will discuss how particular patterns of agrarian change in the Chao Phraya Delta, also known as Thailand’s rice bowl, result from a multiplicity of drivers.

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