

## ACADEMIC

### Latin America in the Vortex of Social Change: Development and Social Movement Dynamics

Henry Veltmeyer | World Development

"Latin America is caught up in a vortex of social change produced by... the advance of resource-seeking 'extractive' capital...the defining feature of... the new geo-economics of capital in the region..."

### Is the Constitution the Trap? Decryption and Revolution in Chile

Ricardo Sanín-Restrepo, Marinella M. Araujo | Law and Critique

"...the constitutional idea itself is the main pipeline of coloniality and the most sophisticated product in the contention of democracy..."

### Multiple Shades of China's Taiwan Policy After the 19th Party Congress

Wei-Chin Lee | Journal of Asian and African Studies

"...a soft power charm offensive has been the primary strategy to appeal to the Taiwanese public, whereas coercive measures in the diplomatic arena and military sphere have served as the supplementary approach..."

### Land Rush: American Grand Strategy, NATO Enlargement, and European Fragmentation

Paul V. Hooft | International Politics

"...an institutional predisposition to maintaining the centrality of NATO, and a lack of constraints on US policies by Russia or Europe...diluted European strategic cohesion...while expanding the commitments inherent to the alliance."

### Perception, Petroleum, and Power: Mythmaking in Oil-Scarce Turkey and Jordan

Volkan Ş. Ediger | Energy Research & Social Science

"...the myths that people in Turkey and Jordan have created to explain why they lack oil...[form] a tautology about the relationship between oil and the nation's...political, economic, and military power."

### Predator Neoliberalism: Lebanon on the Brink of Disaster

Kamal Dib | Contemporary Arab Affairs

"...On 17 October 2019, the [Lebanon] exploded in a social revolution which could precipitate the death of the second republic or the demise of the country as another victim of predator neoliberalism..."

### What Is New for China's Technocracy in Xi Jinping's Time?

Chen Gang | China: An International Journal

"...In the transition from industrial (mass production) to post-industrial (service-oriented) society, China's technocracy is shifting its centrality towards...artificial intelligence, aerospace technology and telecommunications."

## BOOKS

### Protest, Youth and Precariousness: the Unfinished Fight Against Austerity in Portugal

Renato M. Carmo, José A. V. Simões | Berghahn Books

"After over a decade of the austerity measures that followed the 2008 financial crisis—entailing severe, unpopular policies that have galvanized opposition and frayed social ties—what lies next for European societies?"

## Exit From Hegemony: the Unraveling of the American Global Order

Alexander Cooley, Daniel Nexon | Oxford University Press

"Trump's repeated rejection of liberal order, criticisms of long-term allies of the US, and affinity for authoritarian leaders certainly undermines the American international system, but the truth is that liberal international order has been quietly eroding for at least 15 years."

## Parenting Empires: Class, Whiteness, and the Moral Economy of Privilege in Latin America

Ana Y. Ramos-Zayas | Duke University Press Books

"The author shows that for upper-class residents in the affluent neighborhoods of Ipanema (Rio de Janeiro) and El Condado (San Juan), parenting is particularly effective in providing moral grounding for neoliberal projects that disadvantage the overwhelmingly poor and racialized people who care for and teach their children."

## JOURNALISM & ESSAYS

### Race and America's Long War: an Interview With Nikhil Pal Singh

Rosa Burc, George Souvlis | Salvage

"...in the US historical experience, black freedom struggles offer key insights into how radicalizing opposition to racial domination is a route to a universalist politics of human emancipation grounded in political economy."

### No Camp Closure Without Restitution (on Myanmar)

Anonymous Anonymous | Transnational Institute

"Internally Displaced Peoples (IDPs) in Myanmar today are caught in a 'perfect storm', which is the combination of the 2018 VFV Land Management Law, the BRI, and the National IDP Camp Closure Strategy."

### A Little-Known State Law Says Felons Must Carry a Special ID or Go To Jail

Connor Sheets | ProPublica

"Alabama is the only state where people with multiple felony convictions are required to register with law enforcement and carry special ID cards, legal experts say. When felons are caught without them, they can be arrested and fined or jailed."

## REPORTS, DISSERTATIONS, & MISCELLANEOUS

### Putting Children Into Place: Village Context and Educational Inequality in Rural China

Shuang Chen | Princeton University - Office of Population Research (OPR)

"...total inequality in child educational attainment in rural China is driven as much by inequality among villages as by inequality among households in the same village."

### A European Carbon Border Tax: Much Pain, Little Gain

Georg Zachmann, Ben McWilliams | Policy Contribution

"The EU should therefore be careful not to fall into the trap of viewing a CBT as a carbon panacea, and should not put a CBT too high on its list of political priorities within the Green Deal. The EU must first begin to develop a series of more effective climate policies, such as a higher price on carbon, applied more widely, and broader support for low-carbon technologies"

### Political Economy of Agricultural Commercialisation in Nigeria

Adelaja O. Odukoya | Agricultural Policy Research in Africa

"...the agricultural commercialisation policy in Nigeria, despite claims to the contrary, is not driven by the interest of smallholder farmers who are indispensable in the nation's agricultural pathways. One way of doing this is to put the people at the heart of the nation's development and democracy"

## VIDEOS

## The Failed Accession of Turkey To the European Union and the Migrant Crisis

Mario Zucconi | MIT Center for International Studies

"The European Union enlarged considerably towards the end of the cold war, but Turkey remained excluded from this enlargement. This was an incredible missed opportunity ... Had Turkey continued on the way to be a part of the European Union, the migrant crisis would not be in the situation in which it is today."

## Use of History in Russian Politics

Ivan Kurilla | Европейский университет в Санкт-Петербурге

"Recently, people and organisations dealing with the memory of political repressions and working with the traumatic memory of Russia's mid-20th century have become targets of state pressure, simultaneously with the new round of international 'Memory Wars' between Russia and the West, especially, Poland."

## Five Years of War in Donbas

Iryna Shuvalova | The Harriman Institute at Columbia University

"This presentation discusses multilingual war songs that bring together the Russian and Ukrainian languages, and asks what these songs might tell us about the dynamics associated with each language in the context of war, as well as about the assumptions made regarding the identities of its speakers."

## PODCASTS

### Power, Privilege and Race in Singapore

Michael Barr, Lewis Mayo | Ear to Asia

"Is the playing field truly level in Singapore, which touts itself as the ultimate meritocracy? Or are the ethnic Chinese making up the majority privileged over the other sizeable ethnic groups?"

### Division. Corruption. Incompetence: a History of Spain

Paul Preston | History Hit

"The disintegration of the colonial empire is something that explains so much of 20th century Spain, just as much as it explains about Britain today. ... Spain, as imperial powers go, was especially parasitical, ... and so the lack of those external funds to keep it going was especially disastrous."

### Decreasing Genetic Diversity From Africa

Sohini Ramachandran | The Insight

"This episode discusses a groundbreaking paper showing the geographic distribution of human genetic variation, concluding that decreasing genetic diversity is a function of distance from Africa."

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