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The Rest and the West: capital and power in a multipolar world

14 November 2024 | 11:30am - 1:00pm Room: EA.G.13 Parramatta South Campus

Abstract

The Rest and the West is a book by Sandro Mezzadra and Brett Neilson that has recently been published by Verso. This seminar presents a discussion of the book in which Brett Neilson dialogues with Davide Blotta and Malini Sur. The conversation will focus on two areas of the book's intervention: the analysis of the relation between social reproduction and capital circulation, and the emergence of new regimes of war. The speakers will engage the question of why in the wake of a pandemic that has tested economies and societies, geopolitical conflict has assumed a new prominence and intensity.

Biography

Brett Neilson is Professor and Deputy Director at the Institute for Culture and Society, Western Sydney University. His writings with Sandro Mezzadra include Border as Method (Duke 2013) and The Politics of Operations (Duke 2019).

Davide Blotta is a PhD candidate in Global Studies at University of Urbino and a Research Assistant at Western Sydney University.

Malini Sur is Director <u>Higher Degree Research</u> and Teaching at the Institute for Culture and Society and has served as the President of Australian Anthropological Society in 2023.

Presenter: Brett Neilson, Malini Sur and Davide Blotta

Chair: Ien Ang

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