

Total Attendees: 14

Meeting Convener: Nikhil Deb (division chair)

## AGENDA

- Recognition of our division's award winners.
- Discussion of the sessions planned for the annual meeting in Philadelphia in August.
- Introduction of our incoming chair, Caitlin Schroering, who will assume the role after this year's annual meeting.
- Potential discussion of ideas for paper sessions at next year's (2024) annual meeting.

## NOTES

- Introductions
- Discussion of awards
- Gowri Vijayakumar discusses book award winners
- Student paper award winner
- Caitlin Schroering discusses her incoming chair position
- Discussion of SSSP having a hard time after COVID in terms of in-person attendance to sessions
  - Then discussion of division sessions
- Talking about 2024 meeting paper ideas —brainstorming, etc.
  - Empire or colonial legacies
  - Dismantling the nation state (USA) as a unit of analysis
  - The United States global power and linkages, but normally how sociologists think of the US is of a nation state. Something about the US

“domestic” problems and how it has connected to its problems as a global empire.

- Coloniality, post-colonial world
- Howard discusses how it was military control at first and recently has been more economic control
  - Context of domination is through propaganda, economics, the media, and the military.
- Panel on propaganda!
  - Right-wing authoritarianism, attacks on academic freedom – something to explore here
  - Not just right-wing!!!! Also normal political actors and their role in this.
- Thinking more about the positive side of social life, what it means in the global sense. There is a lack of pleasure and joy and happiness in the global sense. Positivity in the agreeable side of life. What does that look like globally? Positive things coming out of our field studies? Perhaps contrasting to the United states. How is pleasure and fun and happiness done in the global context versus in the US?
- Everyone in the US doesn't have hope! There is a need for hope – discussed from a global perspective
- A Session on global climate justice
- A session to think through methodological and ethical challenges specific to global sociology
- Masculinity on a global scale
  - global and comparative masculinities
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- “Researching empire, interrogating post-colonial present(s)”
- Right wing-authoritarianism

- Global climate justice, indigenous sovereignty and world views—reimagining alternative futures
- Post-colonial legacies: historical sociology empire and ethnography. Instead of just historical sociology of the empire, it would be interesting to think about historical legacies and methodologically they can go hand-in-hand. What does it look like in the present from an empirical lens?
- Social media
  - Rise and fall of social media platforms
  - Twitter and its role in the digital age
  - Primary source of information and its role in propaganda for the masses as well
- Panel on the concept of crisis—what produces a crisis, who bears the burden of crisis, how crisis is managed, etc. (could be climate crisis, covid crisis, democracy in crisis, masculinity in crisis...)
  - Apocalypse panel