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Post-development and alternatives to development

Objectives:

In this lecture we will learn about the historical context in which the post-development school emerged and understand the core arguments put forward by post-development scholars. We will then discuss the validity of their arguments and examine whether there are any alternatives.

Questions:

- 1) What do scholars mean when they claim that development discourses are ahistorical and that they depoliticize political and economic processes in the Global South?
- 2) Why is it claimed that the question of knowledge production and circulation is central to students of development?

Required reading:

Sahle, E. N. 2012. 'Post-Development and Alternatives to Development. In *International Development*. P. A. Haslam, J. Schafer, P. Beaudet, eds. Chapter 4. Ontario: Oxford Univ. Press.