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Causal Inquiry in International Relations

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A roundtable on Humphreys and Suganami, *Causal Inquiry in International Relations* (Oxford University Press 2024). The product of a ten-year collaboration, this ground-breaking work defends a new, philosophically informed account of the principles which must underpin any causal research in a discipline such as International Relations. It explores philosophically-informed debates about causation in IR, lays out the underlying logic of causal inquiry, and explores the methodological implications of this logic, including for causal inference and causal explanation. It also considers how causal inquiry relates to other approaches to the study of world politics, including normative, interpretive, critical, and historical inquiry. The book is likely to be of interest to a wide range of academics and research students in International Relations and has been published open-access by Oxford University Press, making it free to download around the world.

Note: We have two participants coming from Sweden, but the Swedish Midsummer celebration is 20-21 June, which will make return travel difficult for them. If the roundtable is accepted, please could it be scheduled for the first day of the conference (the 18th), or if that is not possible, the second day (the 19th)? Thanks!

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