

## Transnational Harms and Lateral Universal Justice

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Impunity is rapidly becoming a (dis)ordering principle of global politics, with accountability mechanisms around problems from arms exports, climate justice, and nuclear rearmament to transnational data sharing becoming increasingly ineffective. How can we think about notions of 'justice' and 'accountability' for transnational harms? Drawing on the work of Souleymane Bachir Diagne, the panel aims to move beyond the universal/particular dichotomy by building on the idea of a 'lateral universal' justice. In various situated sites, it will conceive of 'universalising' as a dynamic spatio-temporal practice which remains continually open to the future.

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