

Call for Papers

Mini-Conference: Inclusive Solidarities in Geoeconomic Times? Connecting Global and National Capitalisms (MC 11)

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In an era marked by deepening divisions, both within and across national borders, the concept of solidarity has gained renewed importance. The 2025 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Socio-Economics (SASE), themed “Inclusive Solidarities: Reimagining Boundaries in Divided Times,” offers a timely platform to explore the changing dynamics of solidarity in the global economy. In line with this focus, this year, the “Connecting Global Capitalism and National Capitalisms” Mini-Conference invites contributions about how our core theme about the linkage between global and national capitalism can help to understand the grievances caused by the interaction between global capitalism and national capitalisms, the impact of these dynamics on the responses to the grievances, and the reimagination of boundaries that transforms and shapes emerging forms of solidarity. We especially welcome proposals that explore the relationship between these dimensions through bridging the fields of Comparative Political Economy (CPE) and International Political Economy (IPE).

For scholars of socio-economics, any systematic study of the economic and political aspects of a contemporary capitalism and its outcomes requires a deeper understanding of the interactions and linkages between International Political Economy (IPE) and Comparative Political Economy (CPE). International organisations, institutions, regimes, and structures—which are usually studied by IPE scholars—are affected and shaped by domestic actors and social movements; but at the same time, they affect and shape domestic socio-economic regimes and political responses to those regimes. This is also true when understanding the grievances of different groups, and how these groups materialise their grievances, such as through creating different forms of solidarities. Therefore,

connecting the IPE and CPE approaches is essential both to understanding the causes of grievances, and the forms of solidarity developed to address those grievances, and their inclusivity. Similarly, engaging in these debates calls for an approach that connects the dots between micro, meso and macro levels of analysis for a comprehensive understanding about these grievances and the responses to them.

By bringing together scholars who work at the intersection of CPE and IPE, the mini-conference aims to:

- **Examine the interaction between national and global economic systems:** This includes the impact of global financial flows on national economies, the role of international trade agreements, and the influence of multinational corporations on domestic labour markets, social policies, and the role of the state.
- **Analyse the role of emerging economies:** We are particularly interested in studies that focus on late-industrialising countries in the Global South, examining how these nations navigate their subordinate positions in the global economy while striving to foster economic growth and social solidarity.
- **Investigate the impact of social movements on economic policies and vice versa:** Papers that explore the role of labour unions, grassroots organizations, and transnational advocacy networks in shaping economic policies at both the national and international levels are highly encouraged

Potential paper and session topics

Based on the outline above, our mini-conference welcomes contributions addressing the following questions:

1. Grievances in an era of geoeconomic competition: How are the structural changes to global capitalism that emerge from intensified geoeconomic competition creating (new, intensified?) grievances on the national level? Who and what becomes marginalised as a result? Are capitalist varieties producing different grievances as a response to geoeconomic upheavals?
2. Reimagining Political and Economic Boundaries: How are the boundaries of national and global economic systems being redefined in response to challenges such as climate change, rising inequality, and geopolitical shifts? What new forms of economic solidarity are emerging as a result?
3. Social Movements and Economic Solidarity: How are labour and social movements organizing within and across borders to confront the grievances posed by the intersection of global capitalism and national capitalisms? What successes and obstacles have they encountered in their efforts to build more inclusive, transnational forms of solidarity?

4. New Responses to old Grievances: How are national governments and institutions responding to the pressures stemming from geoeconomic competition? How are these responses linked to their geoeconomic concerns? How are they promoting or constraining the new forms of social movements? What strategies are they adopting to promote (or reduce) social cohesion and economic inclusivity, particularly in the face of rising populism, illiberalism and nationalism in geoeconomic times? How are their international linkages shaping these strategies?
5. Global Responses to Grievances: How do multinational corporations and financial actors navigate and potentially exacerbate global divisions? How do the supranational institutions respond to the grievances? What role do they play in either supporting or undermining existing and new forms of solidarity?
6. The Future of Social Welfare in a Globalised Economy: How are social welfare policies evolving in response to the pressures of global capitalism? What new models of social protection are emerging to address the challenges of economic globalization?
7. The Impact of Global Financial Flows on National Economies: How do global financial markets influence national economic policies and social cohesion? What role do international financial institutions play in either exacerbating or mitigating economic divisions?

Please submit your proposals via the SASE Website, where you can also find more information on submission guidelines: <https://sase.org/event/2025-montreal/#submission-guidelines>

(please indicate that you are submitting to MC11: Inclusive Solidarities in Geoeconomic Times? Connecting Global and National Capitalisms in the submission process)

More information on the 2025 SASE conference and the mini-conference can be found here: <https://sase.org/event/2025-montreal/#general> and here: <https://sase.org/event/2025-montreal/#mini>

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