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Line 1: Critical thinking on development

Critical thinking *on development* emerges both “from” and “facing” development. The former assumes that development is the solution to current exclusion, inequality and sustainability problems, and reflects on the effectiveness of development proposals. The latter argues that the colonial and economic assumptions implicit in the logic of development perpetuate the power dynamics that shaped current problems. The inherently practical vocation of the reflection on development challenges the ability of both positions – “from” and “facing” – to transit towards truly transformative practices in terms of equality, sustainability and gender. "Critical thinking on development" welcomes reflections – both “from” and “facing” development – on the capacity of translating theory into transformative practice: Are the Sustainable Development Goals an instrument for transformation? What transformation? Or, rather, are they a limiting framework that keeps debates and practices within the logics that have shaped the current world? Do Buen Vivir and Degrowth have the capacity to materialise practical, solid and lasting transformations against the logics of capitalism? Is it possible to think and implement decolonial and sustainable development?