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Securitization, Tourism and Urban Interventions: Tours, Beaches, Borders & Bodies in a Globalized Latin America

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Abstract

Tourist sites have become places of increased securitization as well as legitimized sites of politicized urban interventions often made in the name of the public good. However, scarce attention has been paid to the intricate relationship between tourism, as a neoliberal place making project and uneven form of corporeal mobility, and securitization, as a political process deploying extraordinary measures under capitalist conditions. While some argue that the rise in securitisation is a challenge to neoliberalism, this panel highlights how securing tourists/tourist sites is securing neoliberal global capitalism and global and local inequalities.

We interrogate the concept of 'touristic securitization' building on a comparative and ethnographic approach from Latin American cities and regions that have been radically reorganized by tourism – Guatemala, the Mexican Caribbean, the US-Mexican Border, and Brazil-. We discuss the implementation, failures and consequences of four types of securitization practices present in tourism destinations: (a) the securitization of personal safety in the face of structural and random violence so tourists can keep touring; (b) the securitization of climate change so tourist places can keep up and going as paradises of leisure; (c) the securitization of borders, which constantly redraws the distinction between

those who travel for pleasure or work and those that are forced to stay; and (d) poverty securitization in the realm of reality tourism. Together, these studies offer evidence on the role of tourism and securitization in the re-production of social, spatial and political inequalities in urban contexts and call for a critical understanding of political and architectural interventions in tourism destinations.

Participants:

Touristic Securitisation and the Creation of New (In)Securities in Guatemala Sarah J Becklake, Lancaster University

Walking to the other side and border securitization in the Us-Mexico Border region Michaela Walsh, Bowling Green State University

Climate change securitization, urbanization and its failures along the touristic Mexican shoreline Matilde Cordoba Azcarate, University of California, San Diego

Pacified Poverty and the Tourist Gaze Camila Maria Dos Santos Moraes & Bianca Freire-Medeiros, Universidade de Sao Paulo

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