# **Epistemologies of the South: Justice Against Epistemicide**

In the wake of the global reckoning with systemic racism and colonialism, there has been a growing recognition of the need to decolonize our institutions and ways of thinking. This includes re-examining the ways in which knowledge is produced and valued.



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For centuries, Western epistemologies have dominated the academy, marginalizing and silencing the voices and perspectives of the Global South. This epistemicide has had a devastating impact on the ability of Southern scholars and activists to contribute to global knowledge production and to shape the policies that affect their lives.

Epistemologies of the South: Justice Against Epistemicide is a groundbreaking book that challenges the dominance of Western epistemologies and presents a more just and inclusive approach to knowledge production. The book brings together leading scholars and activists from the Global South to share their insights on the epistemological challenges facing their communities and to propose new ways of thinking about knowledge that are more inclusive and equitable.

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Epistemologies of the South: Justice Against Epistemicide is an essential read for anyone interested in decolonization, social justice, and knowledge production. The book is a powerful call for a more just and equitable world in which the voices and perspectives of the Global South are valued and respected.

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