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Digitalisation and Development in the Global South. Progress by Technology?

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A "digital divide" separates the countries of the Global North and South: they are unequal in terms of access to and the use of information and communication technologies (ICT) such as computers, mobile phones, and the internet. It is widely believed that bridging this divide will positively affect people in under-connected world regions: ICT are assumed to increase economic productivity and prosperity and to have a democratizing effect.

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* How do understandings of privacy and access to information differ between cultures? How are different cultural understandings (in-)compatible with values inscribed in ICT?

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