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Decolonial Ethics in Practice: Confronting the Coloniality of Knowledge Production



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Using the keynote lecture by a white male political scientist at a Southeast Asian studies conference in Europe about the 2022 Philippine elections as an illustrative example of pervasive coloniality in academia, I discuss the urgency of confronting the embeddedness of knowledge production in imperial, colonial and patriarchal ideologies, practices and histories – and its complicities with oppression. I posit that crucial in this project is a critical paradigm of research ethics that is oriented towards rehumanisation and redistribution. Such research ethics is an integral part of decolonial praxis, which is the dynamic process of thought-action-reflection-action aimed at rehumanising the world, redistributing resources and producing counter-knowledges and counter-praxes. This ethics challenges and holds accountable Eurocentric and patriarchal ways of being, doing, thinking and relating in order to imagine and build alternative worlds, presents and futures.

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