

# **OASIS 42:**

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## **TENSIONS AND TRANSFORMATIONS OF SEXUALITY IN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM**

The **Observatory for the Analysis of International Systems (OASIS)**, an indexed and peer-reviewed journal, is presently soliciting contributions for its second issue of 2025 (OASIS No. 42). The theme for this issue will be: "Tensions and transformations of sexuality in the international system".

Sexuality is a social construction that explores how the external limitations of desire and pleasure interact with the biological, psychological, cultural, and sociopolitical conditions in which the subject develops. It is common to find societies that establish political and religious rules regarding sexuality. These feed each other naturally and constantly through various types of ceremonies, rituals, rules, and daily prohibitions. Although the rules generate expectations for the individual in society, they are shaped by the implicit understanding of sexuality from the individual and the collective.

Although there are norms and specificities that originate in the local environment of the subject, there are conditions in the global stage that really modify the way in which sexuality is understood. With globalisation, the relationship between economic change and social change has been reconsidered, transforming the understanding of sexuality in societies as an essential and consistent phenomenon. The increase in consumerism in post-industrial societies, the universalisation of liberal capitalism and the relentless intensification of global interconnectivity schemes are factors that have facilitated the emergence of new behaviours and visions of sexuality. The tension of globalising forces with local contexts continues to drive reform processes in the institutions and ideologies that link sex with politics. Furthermore, all these transformations have irreversibly had an impact on an intimate and private part of the conception of sexuality.

This edition of OASIS aims to study the incorporation, regulation, and transformation of sexuality in different international scenarios and narratives within the globalised world. This issue invites experts, researchers, and academics to contribute with their analyses on sex, corporality, sexual reputation, sexual practices, gender identity, violence, diversity, gender expression, sexual health, sexual rights and sexual movements, among others. In addition, it aims to demonstrate how the issue of sexuality is relevant and influences power, international and national policies, political discourses, social movements, global markets, human mobility, the international public sphere, and political and economic regimes.

Some suggested themes for this edition include:

- ◆ The impact of political regimes in the globalised International System on sexuality.
- ◆ Sexual reputation, desire, and related practices in the public sphere of international political figures and institutions.
- ◆ The relationship between sexuality and human mobility in postcolonialism.
- ◆ Sexual and gender violence as weapons of war in cross-border and national conflicts.
- ◆ The impact of sexuality on diplomacy and international relations.
- ◆ The politicisation of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and HIV/AIDS in contexts of migration and social development.
- ◆ Sexual attraction and economic policies of global cities and metropolises.
- ◆ Slavery in the 21st century, servile marriage, trafficking, and other industries of sexual exploitation.
- ◆ The consequences of globalisation and capitalism on tradition and sexual rituals.
- ◆ The social and political implications of global and digital markets for sexual products.
- ◆ The interaction of sex, gender, and power in the processes of alter-globalisation.
- ◆ Global citizenship and international sexual movements.
- ◆ The exploration of corporality in the International System.
- ◆ Opportunities and challenges for gender identity and gender transition in a globalised world.
- ◆ The regulatory frameworks and international institutions that regulate, defend, and transform sexual and reproductive rights.

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