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Editor's Note

Mohtar Mas'oed Suci Lestari Yuana

We are thrilled to present the latest issue of the Global South Review, featuring a diverse selection of articles that shed light on critical issues facing countries in the Global South. As always, our aim is to provide a platform for scholarly research and insightful analysis that contributes to a better understanding of the challenges and opportunities in this dynamic and evolving region.

Each article in this issue brings valuable insights into different aspects of the Global South's contemporary landscape, offering readers a comprehensive understanding of the issues that shape its trajectory. The theme that unites these articles is the interconnectedness of Global South issues, transcending geographical boundaries and highlighting the region's global significance.

The first article, titled "Assessing the Response of the Global South to Russo-Ukrainian War: Case Study of India," delves into the global geoeconomic impact of the Russo-Ukrainian War and its repercussions on Global South economies. This thought-provoking case study of India's response brings to the forefront the delicate balance between national interests and the principles deeply cherished by Global South countries. The authors' analysis raises pertinent questions about how Realpolitik influences foreign policy decisions in the Global South.

The second article, "Challenges and Opportunities of the 2022 G20 Summit in Strengthening Prevention, Preparedness, and Response (PPR) Financing as a Part of Global Health Architecture Restructuration," focuses on the critical issue of global health architecture. The article underscores the importance of global health equity, especially for low- and midincome countries in the Global South. It emphasizes the need for multilateral cooperation to address health crises and the role of international forums like the G20 in finding sustainable solutions.

The third article titled "Global Health Governance: The Case of the Biopolitics of Covid-19 Vaccine Nationalism" makes a significant contribution to the ongoing discussion on Global South issues, particularly in the realm of global health governance. By exploring the concept of vaccine nationalism and its impact on the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines, the article addresses a crucial research gap in understanding the complexities of global health governance during the pandemic. This article examines the consequences of vaccine nationalism on the Global South, where low- and mid-income countries often face challenges in accessing sufficient vaccine doses for their populations. This examination highlights the stark disparities in vaccine distribution between countries in the Global North and those in

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the Global South, resulting in vulnerabilities and inequities in the pandemic response.

Our fourth article, "The Shifting of Regional Regime: Study Case of Renegotiation NAFTA to USMCA," brings attention to regional economic dynamics. The authors meticulously explore the factors that led to the renegotiation of NAFTA to USMCA, providing insights into the internal and external considerations driving regional trade agreements. This case study serves as an important reminder of the complexities surrounding economic integration and compliance with international laws in the Global South.

The fifth article, "Digital Economy to Boost Economy Recovery Post-Pandemic: Indonesia's Strategic Position as New Economic Power in Southeast Asia," highlights the transformative potential of the digital economy in Indonesia. The authors demonstrate how embracing the digitalization wave can pave the way for Indonesia to become a new economic power in Southeast Asia. The discussion on challenges and opportunities in this digital transformation provides valuable insights into the changing economic landscape in the Global South.

We, at the Global South Review Journal, firmly believe that addressing the issues and concerns of the Global South is vital for the progress and well-being of the region. These articles exemplify the diversity and complexity of the challenges faced by Global South countries and underscore the importance of academic research in finding innovative solutions.

As we continue our mission to promote rigorous research and foster dialogue on Global South matters, we express our gratitude to the dedicated authors and peer reviewers who have contributed to this issue. We hope that the insights presented in these articles stimulate further discussions, inform policies, and inspire actions to create a more equitable and sustainable Global South.

Thank you for your continued support, and we invite you to explore this enriching collection of articles in the current issue of the Global South Review Journal.

Sincerely,

Mohtar Mas'oed - Editor in Chief Suci Lestari Yuana - Managing Editor

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