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When is the Postcolonial Imperial?

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Online Event on Zoom, kindly register in advance: <https://www.aoi.uzh.ch/de/institut/events/registration.html>

AOI Lecture by Prof. Shu-mei Shih, University of California, Los Angeles

Even though U.S. academy-based postcolonial theory has its roots in theories born of the decolonization struggles of the so-called global 60s, its world-wide dissemination has led to various appropriations and misappropriations since the 1990s. This lecture addresses the question of postcolonial theory in the global context to tease out the moments of

transference between the postcolonial and the imperial, a transference that ultimately reveals the limits of postcolonial theory in the face of structural racism and settler colonialism.

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