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Privatised Development Narratives? Reflections on the Ethnography of Aid Policy and Practice through a Large-Scale Agro-Investment in Tanzania

With

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Through a case study of a public-private partnership for development in which the Swedish development agency Sida supported a Swedish company trying to implement a large-scale agro-investment in sugarcane in Tanzania, Linda Engström will unpack the underpinnings of a resilient development narrative maintained by actors promoting the investment. Rich empirical descriptions show that this narrative was highly resilient to accumulated academic knowledge and current real-world problems, and that the privatisation of development increased the resilience of the narrative to evidence of its own shortcomings.

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