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Traces of the more-than-neoliberal: comparing urban outcomes through tracing connections

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Bringing the more-than-neoliberal into focus requires moving beyond tracking neoliberal policies, observing their localization and noting how they reinvigorate the global “syndrome” of neoliberalization. This way, we only ever “see” neoliberalization. I will explore how a more explicitly comparative approach to tracing connections between places can bring into view elements of urban processes which a policy mobilities perspective notes but doesn’t treat as a basis for wider analytical insights.

I will draw on three cases of city strategies, in Johannesburg, London and Lilongwe, to consider how a genetic comparative processes can examine the more-than neoliberal nature of urban development.