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PHILANTHROPIE ET DIASPORA

La philanthropie est à l'image des sociétés qui l'habite. Dans un contexte marqué par une globalisation accélérée et une intensification des migrations internationales, une part importante de dons circule dans les sillons socioculturels formés par ces flux migratoires. En effet, la force du lien social qui unit les migrants à leurs communautés d'origine résiste bien souvent à l'éloignement géographique. En témoigne l'institutionnalisation de l'entraide au sein des diasporas, ce qui donne lieu à une large redistribution de richesses vers les membres de la communauté qui en ont le plus besoin. La philanthropie diasporique constitue ainsi une modalité d'allocation de ressources, notamment financières, qui contribue grandement au développement international et permet aux migrants de rester solidaires avec la communauté qui les a enfantés.

Pour aborder ce phénomène fascinant qu'est la philanthropie dans le cadre particulier des diasporas, ce bulletin présente un éventail d'études empiriques qui se sont penchées sur des cas concrets de diaspora en action. Cette recension ne fait évidemment pas honneur à la vaste quantité de diasporas existantes ; ont été retenues certaines d'entre elles qui se démarquent dans la littérature scientifique et qui ont donné lieu à des enseignements théoriques pertinents pour mieux saisir des dynamiques propres à cette philanthropie transfrontalière.

Bonne lecture !

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Philanthropy reflects the values of the society within which it finds itself. In the context of ever-increasing globalization and intensification of international migrations, a significant portion of donations transacts through the socio-cultural connections created by these migratory fluxes. In fact, the strength of the social bond that unites migrants to their homeland often overcomes the geographical distance barrier. We find proof of this in the institutionalization of mutual aid within diasporas, which gives place to a significant redistribution of wealth towards members of the community that need it most. Diaspora philanthropy consists of a method of resource allocation, namely financial, that significantly contributes to international development and allows for migrants to remain in solidarity with the communities from which they were born.

To broach the fascinating phenomenon that is philanthropy of diasporas, this edition presents a variety of empirical studies that have focused on concrete cases of diasporas in action. This survey evidently does not honour the vast quantity of existing diasporas; were retained those that stood out in the scientific literature and which generated relevant theoretical teachings to better grasp dynamics unique to this form of cross-border philanthropy.

Happy Reading!

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ENTREPRENEURIAT SOCIAL ET DÉVELOPPEMENT INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



Autar S. Dhesi (2010). « Diaspora, social entrepreneurs and community development », *International Journal of Social Economics*, Volume 37, Issue: 9, p.703-716.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://www.emeraldinsight.com/doi/abs/10.1108/03068291011062498>

Summary :

Purpose – In view of significance of social entrepreneurial activity for community development, the purpose of this paper is to attempt to identify attributes of social entrepreneurs and philanthropists among returning successful diaspora in North Indian villages. Philanthropists are defined by the fact that they only invest money, whereas the social entrepreneurs invest their activities as well. An attempt is also made to ascertain key determinants and processes influencing outcomes of social entrepreneurial activity with a view to facilitate it.

Design/methodology/approach – Emphasis is on qualitative analysis based on interviews of scientifically sampled respondents. However, the paper suggests that the rational choice approach is inappropriate to address the issue of community development. An approach based on a broader view of man in works of some classical economists like Adam Smith is more useful.

Findings – The results of empirical analysis suggest that there exist substantial factors, such as early socialization, experience in community work, education and health, that differentiate social entrepreneurs and philanthropists. Salience of relationship between formal and informal institutions, personal traits and social skills of social entrepreneurs in influencing outcomes of social entrepreneurial activity is indicated. By investing moral and material resources in communities, social entrepreneurs augment social capital and facilitate social action. In contrast, philanthropists may add to distortions in community functioning, especially if they opt to operate through largely dysfunctional formal local institutions due to structural impasse in rural areas.



Shirlita Africa Espinosa (2016). « Diaspora philanthropy: the making of a new development aid? », *Migration and Development*, Volume 5, Issue : 3, p. 361-377.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/21632324.2015.1053305>

Summary :

The article is a critical engagement that answers the 'what', 'for whom' and 'how' of diaspora philanthropy. Diaspora philanthropy, although very much an important part of migrant economic and cultural life, is hardly theorised. It does not attract as much attention as remittances, although both are poised to make significant contribution to development. Given the decreasing amount of official development aid to the developing world, migrant philanthropy and remittances are being groomed as the new development aid, and migrants, the enabler of development. Under the banner of migration–development nexus, diaspora philanthropy promotes the active participation in the development of sending countries by diaspora communities. In this article, I argue that flexibility is diaspora philanthropy's characteristic that allows it to serve the purposes of migration governance bodies and be absorbed by their discourse. Moreover, I also examined how diaspora philanthropy, or the migration–development nexus more broadly, is a response to crisis globally felt and needed a synergised solution that migrants and the wealth they created can provide. While the potential of diaspora philanthropy is recognised by economic managers, its principles may not be as easy to execute. I then use the experiences of Philippines' LINKAPIL program to outline the challenges that pose difficulties in the implementation of diaspora philanthropy. In sum, the article questions whether the promise ascribed to diaspora philanthropy has a strong basis to be realised in the name of development.



Harlan Koff (2016), « Diaspora Philanthropy in the Context of Policy Coherence for Development: Implications for the post-2015 Sustainable Development Agenda », *International Migration*, Volume 55, Issue 1.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/imig.12277>

Summary :

Thus far, there has been a dearth of studies that systemically examine the relationship between diaspora philanthropy, the development community and securitised migration regimes. This article addresses this by responding to the research question, “How coherent are securitised migration policies with diaspora philanthropy and the transformative development objectives that characterise the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) agenda?” The analysis is based on the concept of policy coherence for development (PCD). The article compares the simultaneous regionalization and securitization of European Union and United States migration policies and contends that these policy strategies undermine diaspora philanthropy, development partnerships and transformative development. Normative change must be introduced in order to establish coherence between globalized migration policies and diaspora philanthropy objectives. Normative coherence for development can be achieved by introducing principles from the SDG’s and the Busan Development Partnership Agreement amongst other international development agendas, into migration policy-making at the national and regional levels.

DIASPORA PHILANTHROPIQUE DES PHILIPPINES PHILANTHROPIC DIASPORA OF THE PHILIPPINES



Jeremaiah M. Opiniano (2005). « Filipinos Doing Diaspora Philanthropy: The Development Potential of Transnational Migration », *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal*, Vol. 14, No. 1-2, p. 225-241.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/011719680501400111>

Summary :

Other than remittances, diaspora philanthropy has emerged as a practice that may contribute to local development. This paper presents an overview of diaspora philanthropy by Filipino migrants: it identifies the dynamics between migrant-donors and recipients in the Philippine end, it outlines the actors involved in diaspora philanthropy, and it provides examples of development projects supported by migrants. The paper concludes by suggesting areas for further research.



Victoria Licuanan, Toman Omar Mahoud et Andreas Steinmayr (2015). « The Drivers of Diaspora Donations for Development: Evidence from the Philippines », *World Development*, Volume 65, p. 94–109.

Lien Web – Web Link :

https://www.ifw-kiel.de/fileadmin/Dateiverwaltung/IfW-Publications/Toman_Barsbai/the-drivers-of-diaspora-donations-for-development-evidence-from-the-philippines/linkapil_wp.pdf

Summary :

Using administrative data on donations channeled through the Commission on Filipinos Overseas, this paper explores which host and home country factors are associated with donations made by permanent migrants to the Philippines. On the host country side, donations increase with the income level of Filipinos and with the number of hate crimes against minorities. On the home country side, donations are not well-targeted. As donations mainly flow to provinces with high emigration rates, they do not reach less developed Philippine provinces. However, the diaspora is responsive to natural disasters and channels donations to provinces when they are hit by a typhoon.



L. Joyce Zapanta Mariano (2017). « Doing Good in Filipino Diaspora: Philanthropy, Remittances, and Homeland Returns », *Journal of Asian American Studies*, Volume 20, Number 2, p. 219-244.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://muse.jhu.edu/article/662563>

Summary :

In this article, I use “doing good”—philanthropic initiatives and related discourses and collective practices of generosity, obligation, and giving back—as a framework for understanding processes of Filipino diaspora formation and normative valuations of migrant Filipino subjectivities. Attentive to the transnational and transhistorical dimensions of American dream ideology, I demonstrate that doing good is a temporally and spatially contingent discourse in which perceived benefits of globalization, including migration and the benevolent impulse, are associated with American exceptionalism. Globalization and dominant nationalisms call upon good Filipinos to serve the country and the world through their migration and the returns on their labor and migration. The article explores the ways Filipino American immigrants and overseas Filipino labor migrants are cast as competing figures, whose options for doing good are contained by the ways they are imagined in these discourses. Both figures are celebrated for doing good toward the betterment of the Philippines and work in tandem to obscure the Philippine state’s capture of racialized global hierarchies for global markets.

DIASPORAS PHILANTHROPIQUES INDIENNES ET CHINOISES

INDIAN AND CHINESE PHILANTHROPIC DIASPORAS



Ajailiu Niumai (2011). « Indian Diaspora Philanthropy: A Sociological Perspective », *Man in India - An International Journal of Anthropology*, Vol. 91 No 1.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://ideas.repec.org/p/ess/wpaper/id5557.html>

Summary :

Financial flows are an important aspect of transnational ties between migrants and their respective home countries. Worldwide, the amount of remittances has increased substantially, India being the largest recipient of overseas remittances in the developing world today. Although household level remittances have received the most attention from scholars and policy makers, an increasing proportion of financial flows from migrants to their home countries consists of philanthropy. Additionally, studies on the economic and social impact of diaspora philanthropic activities in India emphasise the role of the migrants who send such transfers, while relatively little is known about the views and activities of the recipients in the home communities.

This paper deals with the philanthropic relations between Indian migrants and the local community in Gujarat from a homeland perspective. It is based on research in rural central Gujarat, one of the regions in India with a long history of migration abroad. The findings show that philanthropic relations between migrants and the home community entail both co-operation and tension. There are differing views on the nature of the gift giving process and these are related to status differences within the community, and between members of the local community and those who have settled abroad. Moreover, recent political changes in the home region have affected the organisational channels used to transfer philanthropic donations. The findings illustrate the ways in which local context shapes the nature and impact of diaspora philanthropic activities, thereby highlighting the territorial importance of 'deterritorialised' transnational ties.



Ajailiu Niumai (2011). « Indian Diaspora Philanthropy: A Sociological Perspective », *Man in India - An International Journal of Anthropology*, Vol. 91 No 1.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09739572.2016.1239432>

Summary :

In recent years, a few scholars have undertaken research on Indian diaspora philanthropy. However, many of these studies have presented a cursory glimpse of the role played by the Indian diaspora through NGOs in promoting welfare, social development and emergency assistance in India. This paper attempts to examine the contours of Indian diaspora philanthropy with special reference to Indian Americans. The focus is on the Indian diaspora philanthropy which functions directly through NGOs in India at one level, and on the other hand, through United States based international NGOs with operations in India. It has been generally perceived that Indian diaspora funds were distributed through formal and mostly in informal channels for various development projects. It has also become trendy for Indian diaspora to give back to their villages and towns. Their inspirations for philanthropic activities are a combination of traditional concerns of family, kinship, castes and religious sentiments, and the idea of doing something good for the poor and the needy.



Gurmail Singh et Sawarn Singh (2007). « Diaspora Philanthropy in Action: An Evaluation of Modernization in Punjab Villages », *International Journal of Punjab Studies*, Volume 14, Issue 2, p. 225-248.

Lien Web – Web Link :

http://www.global.ucsb.edu/punjab/sites/secure.lsit.ucsb.edu.qjsp.d7_sp/files/sitefiles/journals/volume14/no2/singh_singh.pdf

Summary :

Diaspora action in modernisation of civic amenities brought remarkable improvement in the living environment of project villages. With universal connectivity to underground water supply, sewerage, sewerage treatment plant, cemented roads with solar lights, village parks, community centre, telephone lines and computer education, the project villages in the Indian Punjab resemble any modern village in the western world. The integrated sustainable top-down approach followed for this purpose has proved to be the most cost-effective, replicable, participatory, pro-poor and inclusive model of village modernisation. Completion of projects has led to better community relations and capacity building, substantially fall in water and sanitation borne diseases, and reduction in flies, mosquitoes, and foul smell in the project villages.



Peter F. Geithner, Paula D. Johnson et Lincoln C. Chen (Éditeurs). *Diaspora Philanthropy and Equitable Development in China and India*. Cambridge and London, Harvard University Press, 2005, 394 p.

Commentaire critique – Book review :

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/journal-of-asian-studies/article/diaspora-philanthropy-and-equitable-development-in-china-and-india-edited-by-geithnerpeter-f-johnsonpaula-d-and-chenlincoln-c-cambridge-and-london-harvard-university-press-2005-vii-394-pp-1995-paper/CF4FFC596A3A91838F96D1973CD59B2>

Summary :

Diaspora philanthropy is not a new phenomenon. But in an era of accelerated globalization, the relationship between diaspora philanthropy and the economic and social development of many countries is increasingly relevant. Modern diasporas are diverse and continually shifting; more people are moving more rapidly, more easily, and over greater distances than ever before. This is certainly true of recent migrants from China and India to the United States. In Silicon Valley, Asian Americans are estimated to constitute over 30 percent of the highly paid scientific and engineering workforce and represent one-third of the region's millionaires. As their wealth has grown, so too has their charitable giving—both to their old as well as to their new countries of residence. This volume aims to advance understanding of diaspora philanthropy in the Chinese American and Indian American communities, especially the implications for development of the world's two most populous countries.

DIASPORA PHILANTHROPIQUE MALAISIEENNE

MALAYSIAN PHILANTHROPIC DIASPORA



Choo Chin Low (2017). « Malaysian diaspora philanthropy: transnational activism, mobilization and resistance », *Diaspora Studies*, Volume 10, Issue:2, p. 152-174.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09739572.2017.1324383?scroll=top&needAccess=true>

Summary :

Malaysia's electoral reform movement has intensified in tandem with the rise of transnational civil societies and the political mobilization of the Malaysian diaspora. During the 13th General Election in 2013, political spillovers among the diaspora found its expression through various transnational activism. This research offers preliminary inquiries into diaspora giving to support electoral reform efforts in the home country. The 13th GE presents an interesting case study to contextualize the relationship between diaspora philanthropy and transnational political activism as philanthropic flow runs parallel in support of these transnational activities. This paper aims to examine diaspora philanthropic acts based on three electoral reform campaigns: 'Global Bersih', 'MyOverseasVote' and 'Let's Go Home and Vote'. It concludes that Malaysian diaspora political engagement and its philanthropic acts can be viewed as a form of diasporic activism, mobilization and resistance.

DIASPORAS PHILANTHROPIQUES EN AUSTRALIE

PHILANTHROPIC DIASPORAS IN AUSTRALIA



Christopher Baker, Simone Battiston et Bruno Mascitelli (2007). « Diaspora Philanthropy in Australia: A Preliminary Critique », *Diaspora: A Journal of Transnational Studies*, Volume 16, Number 3, p. 323-336.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://muse.jhu.edu/article/504366>

Summary :

Australia is home to numerous diaspora communities that have settled in Australia throughout the twentieth century. Over the decades, these ethnic communities have adapted to the Australian way of life and while there was an attempt to create a single national identity, many immigrant communities continue to maintain their cultural and linguistic links with their origin homeland. It is to be expected that many within these communities feel they owe some obligation to their original homeland. At times this manifests itself as personal, economic support to family structures back home; at others, in more complex, event-based investments. This study is a preliminary critique of philanthropic trends in Australia's diasporic communities. While studies exist across the world on the philanthropic practices of various diasporas, very few address the dual theme in Australia. Some studies have pursued the two themes in separate contexts. Very few have explored the two concepts of diaspora communities and the philanthropic behavior of these communities as a single combined theme. The aim of this article is to undertake a preliminary and critical study on this significant and growing phenomenon.

DIASPORAS PHILANTHROPIQUES AU CANADA ET AUX ÉTATS-UNIS

PHILANTHROPIC DIASPORAS IN CANADA AND IN THE UNITED STATES



Krishan Mehta et Patrick Johnston (Juillet 2011). « *Diaspora Philanthropy And Civic Engagement In Canada: Setting The Stage* », *The Philanthropist*, Volume 24, Issue:1.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://thephilanthropist.ca/2011/07/diaspora-philanthropy-and-civic-engagement-in-canada-setting-the-stage/>

Extrait – Excerpt :

« This issue of the *Philanthropist* is among the first publications to take a serious look at the philanthropic and civic interests of various diasporic and transnational immigrant groups in Canada. In this introduction, we point to some emerging trends and contextual notes in an effort to set the stage for other articles in this issue and further discussions in this relatively new and exciting subject area. »



Diane Alalouf-Hall (décembre 2017). « *Voir loin avec la Fédération CJA : 100 ans de soutien à la communauté* », *Blogue du PhiLab*.

Extrait – Excerpt :

« Il y a un siècle, alors que des dizaines de milliers d'immigrants juifs fuyant les pogroms antisémites en Europe de l'Est arrivaient au Canada (Linteau *et al.*, 1989b ; Anctil 2017), la *Federation of Jewish Philanthropies*, ancêtre de l'actuelle Fédération CJA voyait le jour. Cette institution fédératrice regroupait les principales institutions communautaires juives de Montréal de cette époque et s'était fixé un objectif ambitieux : recueillir suffisamment de fonds pour offrir des services aux familles juives montréalaises, notamment aux personnes les plus démunies. »

Lien Web – Web Link : <https://philab.uqam.ca/blogue-accueil/blog-decembre-2017-voir-loin-avec-la-federation-cja-100-ans-de-soutien-la-communaute/>

A century ago, as dozens of thousands of Jewish immigrants fleeing the anti-Semitic massacre in Eastern Europe were arriving in Canada (Linteau *et al.*, 1989b ; Anctil 2017), the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, ancestor of the actual Federation CJA, was just starting up. This federative institution regrouped the principal Montreal Jewish community institutions of the time and had given itself an ambitious objective: collecting enough funds to offer services to Montreal's Jewish families, especially those most in need.

<https://philab.uqam.ca/home-blog/going-distance-federation-cja-100-years-community-support/?lang=en>



Paula Doherty Johnson (2007). « **Diaspora Philanthropy: Influences, Initiatives, and Issues** », The Philanthropic Initiative, Inc. and The Global Equity Initiative, Harvard University.

Lien Web – Web Link :

<https://www.cbd.int/financial/charity/usa-diasporaphilanthropy.pdf>

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