

WRITTEN EXAMINATION

SGO2500 - North/South – Development

30th of November 2017

This exam consists of **three** parts.

Please read and follow the instructions in each part carefully.

Good luck!

Part I

Choose only **2 out of the 3** questions presented below and write a short essay for each of the chosen questions. Start each answer with the question number.

Question 1:

The global South connects in various ways to the global economy, particularly through (i) primary commodities, (ii) foreign direct investment in manufacturing and (iii) international finance. Discuss one of these areas of interaction of the global South with the global economy. Provide examples.

Question 2:

According to Hulme “Poverty is not a set of self-evident ”facts”: it has many potential dimensions and these can be presented in many different ways”. Taking into consideration the multidimensional framing of poverty, discuss different ways of understanding poverty.

Question 3:

How can we understand the role of the state in development? Provide examples to illustrate your discussion.

Part II

Choose only **1 out of the 2** questions presented below and write a short essay based on the syllabus. Provide examples. Start each answer with the question number.

Question 4:

‘Food security’ and ‘food sovereignty’ refer to different approaches to ongoing debates on the international food system, signaling different ways to address issues such as food production and distribution. Discuss the two approaches, highlighting the differences between the two, as well as the limitations they may have.

Question 5:

Discuss the policies of liberalization and privatization of the energy sector in the global South: What were the main arguments put forward in the 1980s? How were these policies implemented? What were the results and why?

Part III

Commentary/reply: Based on the overall knowledge you have acquired through SGO2500, write a short commentary or reply to **only 1 of the 2** attached news reports/opinion pieces. You may want to identify the underlying issues addressed in the piece, express your own opinion and substantiate your arguments with what you have learned in the course. You are free to use other examples in your commentary/reply. Start your answer with the name of the text you are replying to.

Text from "The Guardian": "Canadian firm to face historic legal case over alleged labour abuses in Eritrea"

Text from "AlJazeera": "The West owes Zimbabwe a future"

Both texts are to be found in the attached pdf-document.