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# Democracy in a time of misery: From slow violence to deliberative politics

*Misery rarely features in conversations about democracy. Much has been said about democracy and inequality, democracy and authoritarianism, and democracy and justice but little about the relationship between democracy and widespread suffering.*

*This presentation is based on a book project that attempts to place misery at the centre of the study of deliberative practice. By drawing on a three-year ethnographic study of disaster-affected communities in the Philippines, this presentation examines how 'communities of misery' embody, perform, contest and lose interest in deliberation. By 'thinking with suffering,' this presentation problematises the ethical and political value of deliberative democracy in the most trying of times. It seeks to re-imagine how democracy can be experienced that is both relevant to context of severe hardship as well as faithful to core democratic virtues. .*

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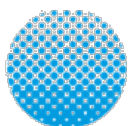
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