

Book Launch with author Prof. Dr. Osmany Porto de Oliveira

International Policy Diffusion and Participatory Budgeting: Ambassadors of Participation, International Institutions and Transnational Networks

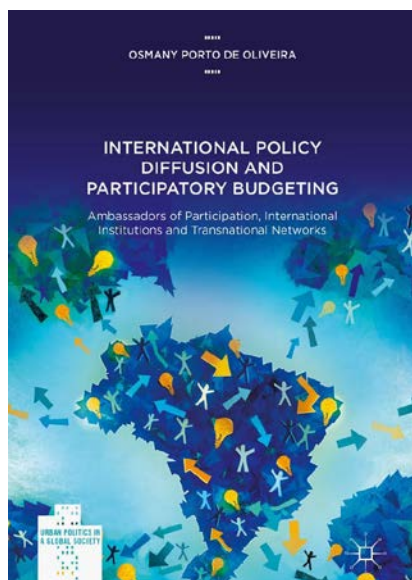
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The presentation of the book will be followed by an informal discussion with the author over beer & snacks

Time: Thursday 2.11. at 18:00.

Venue: Room 219, 2nd Floor (left-hand), Centre for Comparative and International Education, Institut für Erziehungswissenschaften, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Geschwister-Scholl-Straße 7, 10099 Berlin.

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This book explores the international diffusion of Participatory Budgeting (PB), a local policy created in 1989 in Porto Alegre, Brazil, which has now spread worldwide. The book argues that the action of a group of individuals called “Ambassadors of Participation” was crucial to make PB part of the international agenda. This international dimension has been largely overlooked in the vast literature produced on participatory democracy devices. This is a groundbreaking research that brought together public policy analysis and the study of international relations, and made a broad comparative study of PB, including cases from Latin

America, Europe, and Sub-Saharan Africa. The book also presents a new methodology developed to examine PB diffusion, the ‘transnational political ethnography’, which combines in-depth interviews, participant observation and document analysis both at the local and transnational level.

Osmany Porto de Oliveira is Professor of International Relations at the Federal University of São Paulo. He received his PhDs in Political Science from the University of Sorbonne Nouvelle - Paris III and the University of São Paulo. His research is dedicated to the international dimension of public policies, with focus on the diffusion of social participation and food security policies. He is also author of “Le transfert d'un modèle de démocratie participative: Paradiplomatie entre Porto Alegre et Saint-Denis”, Éditions de L’IHEAL-CREDA. He is coordinating the International Conference on Policy Diffusion and Development Cooperation that will be held in São Paulo - Brazil in 2018 (www.policydiffusion.com).

