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Profile

▪ **PhD Candidate in the Political Economy of Development**
Under the supervision of Professor *Rima HAWI*.

My research focuses on the conditions under which just transitions toward decarbonised economies can be achieved, particularly in countries of the Global South. It examines the role of asymmetrical North–South relations, as well as of international financial, institutional, political and epistemic architectures, in the definition and implementation of these transitions.

PhD thesis: ***Just Transition(s) toward Sustainable Economies from the Global North to South: Common Challenges?***

▪ **Temporary Teaching and Research Fellow**, Paris-Saclay University, UVSQ

Research Areas

- Political economy of development and environment
- Just transitions and sustainability
- Global North–South relations and international climate governance
- Climate finance and energy transitions in the Global South
- Inequalities and justice
- Epistemic injustices and the transformation of research systems

Publications

▪ **Peer-reviewed journal articles**

(3) Rihi, Y. (2026). Energy transitions in a fractured world: unpacking the political economy of renewable energy deployment in the Global South. *Global Political Economy,* Early View. https://doi.org/10.1332/26352257Y2026D000000070

(2) Rihi, Y. (2026). Just transitions under pressure: from early visions to new proposals and trajectories in the Global South. *Environmental Politics*, 1–23. https://doi.org/10.1080/09644016.2026.2710465

(1) Rihi, Y. (2025). Des ODD aux transitions justes : reconfiguration critique de la gouvernance de la soutenabilité dans les Suds. *Mondes en développement*, 53(3), 55-72. https://doi.org/10.3917/med.211.0055

▪ **Book chapters**

(2) Mathieu, A. & **Rihi, Y.** (2026) « Penser les transitions justes dans les Suds : enjeux et perspectives de quantification pour les politiques d'emplois verts ». In *Politiques de développement, acteurs, diagnostics et évaluations*, ed. by Gérardin, H. & Clément, M. *Forthcoming.*

(1) Mathieu, A., **Rihi, Y.,** Massera, M., Moign, L., Nguirane, M.M., Madioune, E.M., Randriantseheno, M.N.F., Pian, L. (2025). « Inégalités doctorales entre les Nords et les Suds : une première approche à partir de la littérature ». In *Études doctorales africaines : diversité de situations et enjeux communs,* ed. by Meyer, J. B., Lounaci, A., Berguerna, M. Mondes inégaux series. IRD Éditions & African Minds.

▪ **Book review**

(1) Rihi, Y. (2026). The geopolitics of green colonialism: global justice and ecosocial transitions: by Breno Bringel, Miriam Lang and Mary Ann Manahan (Eds.), London, Pluto Press, 2024, 288 pp., ISBN 978-

0-7453-4934-3 (paperback). *Canadian Journal of Development Studies / Revue Canadienne d'études Du Développement*, 1–3. https://doi.org/10.1080/02255189.2026.2665092

▪ **Datasets**

(1) Faye, D. B., Madioune, É. M., Nguirane, M. M., Randrianandrasana, R. A., Mathieu, A., Pian, L., **Rihi, Y.,** Santini, S. (2026). DWISE – Doctoral Work and Inequalities in Scientific Ecosystems. DataSuds, V1. DOI: https://doi.org/10.23708/ZRDYJU, *DataSuds*.

▪ **Research report**

(1) Mathieu, A., Pian, L., Ba, M., Madioune, M. E., Moign, L., N'Da, L., Nguirane, M. M., Miahy, N. F. R., **Rihi, Y.** (2023) Disparités doctorales entre Nord et Sud : bilan et stratégies de « coordination juste » à l'UMI SOURCE (2022-2023). *Research report*. ⟨hal-04336522⟩ [online].

▪ **Work in progress**

(6) Aknin, A., Hawi, R., **Rihi, Y.** Stratégies de développement extractives, acceptabilité sociale et inégalités dans les pays en développement. Quelques réflexions exploratoires. *Manuscript under review.*

(5) Rihi, Y. The Making of Senegal's Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP): Debt, Sovereignty, and Social Justice

(4) Mathieu, A., **Rihi, Y.,** Pian, L., Faye, D. B., Madioune, É. M., Nguirane, M. M. Pouvons-nous tous participer à la science ouverte ? Dotations structurelles et capacités de recherche dans les parcours doctoraux sénégalais. *Manuscript under review.*

(3) Hawi, R., Geronimi, V., Khelifati, I., Mathieu, A., **Rihi, Y.,** Pian, L., Madioune, É. M., Nguirane, M. M., Thiaw, D. La science de la durabilité face aux défis des inégalités de recherche. *Manuscript under revision.*

(2) Rihi, Y., Khelifati, I. Knowledge and power in development economics: accounting for Global North-South epistemic injustices.

(1) Panayotis, G. M., Goutte, S., Arsenios-Georgios, N. & **Rihi, Y.** When Climate Change Confronts Energy Inequality: Lessons from Athens, Greece. *Manuscript under review.*

Research Dissemination and Outreach

▪ **Media & outreach**

(4) Tony Mazzocchi, le syndicaliste oublié qui pensa la transition juste. **The Conversation France**. https://doi.org/10.64628/AAK.93pvrem9k

(3) Comment la justice climatique risque de devenir un instrument de domination : le cas du Just Energy Transition Partnerships (JETP) au Sénégal. **The Conversation France**. https://doi.org/10.64628/AAK.mwjhcnwrw

(2) Geopolitics of green colonialism: decarbonising, but for whom, and at what cost? **Undisciplined Environments**. https://undisciplinedenvironments.org/2025/12/03/geopolitics-of-green-colonialism-decarbonising-but-for-whom-and-at-what-cost/

(1) Comment lutter contre le changement climatique sans creuser les inégalités entre Nords et Suds ? **The Conversation France**. https://doi.org/10.64628/AAK.6c4umqtxn

Teaching and Supervision

▪ **Temporary Teaching and Research Fellow – Université Paris-Saclay / UVSQ (192 h)** 2026 – 2027

Macroeconomics – L1 Economics and Management (**108 h course**)

Major Contemporary Economic Issues – L1 Economics and Management (**12 h lectures**)

Microeconomics: Introduction to Game Theory – L3 Economics and Management & MIASHS (**48 h course**)

Environmental Ethics – M1 Political Economy and Institutions (**12 h lectures**)

▪ **Adjunct Lecturer – Université Paris-Saclay / UVSQ** 2024 – 2026

Microeconomics: Introduction to Game Theory – L3 Economics and Management & MIASHS (**36 h course x2**)

Environmental Ethics – M1 Political Economy and Institutions (**12 h lectures**)

▪ **Supervision of projects and dissertations** 2024 – 2026

Supervised project – M2 Political Economy and Institutions

Year-end dissertation – L3 MIASHS

Research Experience and Fieldwork

▪ **Inequalities and disparities in doctoral trajectories – Dakar, Senegal** May, 2025

Administration of a mixed-methods survey on "Doctoral conditions and open science" among doctoral students of the EDEQUE doctoral school (Water, Quality and Uses of Water) at Université Cheikh Anta-Diop (Dakar, Senegal). Creation of a repository database available on DataSud (https://doi.org/10.23708/ZRDYJU).

▪ **Evaluation of the Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP) – Dakar, Senegal** May 2026 + January 2027

Five-week research fieldwork. Semi-structured interviews and documentary analysis. 8 interviews with political, institutional, financial and civil society actors.

Scientific and Academic Responsibilities

▪ **PhD student representative UMI SOURCE Laboratory** 2023 – 2025

Coordination and facilitation of the cross-site network of doctoral students of the UMI SOURCE laboratory (France, Senegal, Côte d'Ivoire, Madagascar)

Organisation and facilitation of scientific events (scientific poster production, "My Thesis in 180 seconds", presentation of research articles, cross-site doctoral seminars)

▪ **Member of the Working Group on Doctoral Disparities and Inequalities – UMI SOURCE** 2023 – …

Co-leadership of the group; organisation of scientific seminars and events

▪ **Reviewer for scientific journals** 2024 – …

Development and Sustainability in Economics and Finance

▪ **Administrator of the UMI SOURCE LinkedIn account** 2024 – …

Promotion of the laboratory's activities and publications

▪ **Member of the steering committee of the AJALALA programme for early-career researchers** 2025 – …

Member of the steering committee of the 2025–2026 and 2026–2027 cohort of the transdisciplinary and hybrid training programme in sustainability science for societal transformation, led by *Future Earth Pathways* (partners in Senegal, Togo, Niger, Cameroon, Canada, Madagascar, Côte d'Ivoire and France)

Conference Presentations and Talks

▪ **International congresses and conferences**

2026 – *Renewable energy development in Africa: neoliberal green colonialism and emerging forms of appropriation*, **International Conference on the Political Economy of Just Energy Transitions and Inequality in Africa**, Centre for Social Policy Studies (CSPS), University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana, March 2026.

2025 – *Beyond sustainable development? Exploring the rise of just transitions from a Global North-South perspective*, **International Annual Conference of the Centre of African Studies (CAS)**, University of Edinburgh Business School, Climate Dynamics and the Politics of a Post-Carbon Africa, Edinburgh, United Kingdom, April 2025.

2024 – *Just transitions: a new approach to the international governance of sustainability*, **International Conference on Sustainability, Environment, and Social Transition in Economics and Finance (SESTEF)**, Paris, France, December 2024.

▪ **Colloquia and study days**

2026 – *Déploiement des renouvelables en Afrique : entre injustices et leviers juridiques pour une transition juste*, **international colloquium « Bâtir un droit du changement climatique : justice climatique, transition juste »**, Institut d'Études Avancées de Paris, ISJPS, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris, January 2026.

2025 – Presentation of research work, **PhD Day 2025**, Chaire Économie du Climat, Paris, April 2025.

2024 – *Transition(s) juste(s) : continuité ou rupture avec le paradigme du développement durable ?* **3rd edition of the Journées Doctorales « Regards critiques sur le développement »**, GEMDEV, Conflits et développement : regards croisés et analyse critique, Paris, November 2024.

2024 – *Transition(s) juste(s) : continuité ou rupture avec le paradigme du développement durable ?* **XXXIXes Journées du développement de l'Association Tiers-Monde**, Le développement en débat : savoirs et politiques au XXIe siècle, Paris, May 2024.

▪ **Seminars, workshops and study days**

2026 – *La fabrique du Partenariat pour une Transition Énergétique Juste (JETP) sénégalais : dette, souveraineté et justice sociale*, **Séminaire UMI SOURCE**, Paris, novembre 2026.

2026 – *Le Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP) sénégalais à l'épreuve de la coopération climatique internationale : lecture critique et enseignements*, **2nd edition of the Journées thématiques « Les transitions énergétiques dans les Suds »**, IRD, Pau, September 2026.

2026 – *Les inéquités en science et la perception de la science ouverte chez les doctorant.es à Dakar*, **Journées Science Ouverte SHS, Mission Science Ouverte de l'IRD & Humathèque**, Paris, avril 2026.

2026 – *La science de la durabilité face au défi des inégalités de recherche*, **Workshop du GT Inégalité de l'IRD**, Paris, March 2026.

2025 – *Avancées des travaux du groupe de travail : disparités et inégalités doctorales*, **Journées scientifiques de l'UMI SOURCE**, Mahajanga, Madagascar, June 2025.

2024 – *Vers une transition juste de la recherche : le cas d'une unité mixte internationale (UMI)*, **3rd edition of the Labos 1point5 colloquium, Empreinte environnementale et soutenabilité des activités de recherche**, Paris, November 2024.

2024 – *Groupe de travail sur les disparités et inégalités doctorales (GTDID) : de la genèse aux perspectives de recherche*, **Journées scientifiques de l'UMI SOURCE (JUMI)**, Paris, May 2024.

2024 – *Inégalités doctorales entre les Nords et les Suds : une première exploration à partir de la littérature,* **journées d'étude du GT Inégalité de l'IRD, La (re)production des inégalités : contextes, sens et usages**, Paris, February 2024.

▪ **Roundtables and scientific facilitation**

2025 – Facilitation of the workshop "Energy transitions in the Global South through the prism of inequalities, access and justice", **Journées thématiques « Les transitions énergétiques dans les Suds »**, IRD, Paris, September 2025

2024 – Participation in a roundtable: "Toward a just decarbonisation trajectory for the laboratory", **Journées scientifiques de l'UMI SOURCE (JUMI)**, Paris, May 2024.

RESEARCH AND MOBILITY FUNDING

2026 – Graduate School Economics & Management, Université Paris-Saclay: €3,000 *GS Economics & Management Seed Funding*.

2025 – Doctoral School in Economics and Management (EM), Université Paris-Saclay: €2,500 *Doctoral Research Mobility Funding in Economics & Management*.

Education

▪ **Université Paris-Saclay** 2023 – …
PhD in Economics
"Just Transition(s) toward Sustainable Economies from North to South: Common Challenges?"

▪ **Université Paris-Saclay** 2022 – 2023
Master 2 (M2) in Political Economy and Institutions,
Specialisation: Economics and Evaluation of Development and Sustainability

▪ **Université Paris-Saclay** 2021 – 2022
Master 1 (M1) in Development and Environmental Studies,
Specialisation: Transition to Sustainability

▪ **Université Reims Champagne-Ardenne** 2018 – 2021
Bachelor's degree in economics and management,
Specialisation: Economic Analysis

Skills

▪ **Languages**

- French (native)
- English (C1)
- Spanish (B1)
- Arabic (A2)

▪ **Software and tools**

- R, Stata
- KoboCollect
- Zotero
- Microsoft Office