Looking at South-South student mobility

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Researchers from every discipline in social sciences are invited to submit paper proposals in English or in French.

After notification from the editing committee, authors are expected to send papers by 1st September 2013 (look at the recommendations to authors after the text of the call). They will be reviewed both by external readers and by the editorial board of the journal Cahiers de la Recherche sur l’Education et les Savoirs.

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KEY QUESTION

The international trade of higher education services has experienced a high growth over the last two decades. Not only does it take the shape of traditional international student and staff mobility but we can also see it through the setting-up of higher education institutions abroad. The international education market has diversified and is developing in the South.

According to a deeply engrained scientific belief based on a macro-sociological, demographic and political vision, student mobility to the South is a choice by default taken by students whose low cultural and economic capital appears to be lower than that of students who moved
to the North. However, some recent empirical and comparative studies ¹ slightly modify this approach. They point out that South-South mobility in renowned higher education institutions is often an old phenomenon. The Arab-Islamic theological universities of Fes, Tunis or Cairo have had an international reputation since the Middle-ages. More recent institutions such as the International University of Beirut have attracted an international audience since the 19th century. Nowadays, such universities are going through profound changes in a global and regional context of higher education reforms affecting all the Southern countries, through processes of joint degree delivery, privatization or relocation of foreign universities.

This call for papers does not aim at questioning the growing gap between the North and the South or between the “Souths” (emerging countries, developing countries, Africa, Arab world, etc…) in terms of social, economical and symbolic inequities within a global context of liberalization of higher education provision, of control and pre-selection of candidates. Nevertheless this issue does not seek to deny the deep academic crisis that many Southern countries are going through.

This special issue aims at having a closer look at the changes faced by higher education and student mobility in a new global and competitive context. It deals with South-South student mobility as a whole so as to add an interesting comparative dimension in the light of ongoing changes at the international level. This issue seeks to highlight a scientific debate “about the South” and “in the South” based on the following questioning: Does the South rely on the North given the international ideological and economic pressure? Are they in a position to turn to their advantage a part of the academic market of the industrialized northern countries? Are we witnessing the creation of a South-South knowledge transfer based on the North-South model? Or even: Are Southern countries setting up their own model of internationalization of knowledge?

Observing South-South mobility enables to better understand the recent university cooperation policies implemented, as well as their consequences in terms of redeployment of South-South student flows at the regional and international level, of diversification of (national or foreign) public and private higher education institutions, of competition between countries and hierarchisation of the value of degrees on the national labor market in departure and host countries.

South-South student mobility follows institutional, national and international public or private logics, taking the shape of studies and career paths which can be in part pre-built and/or follow individual, family and collective strategies. The analysis of student mobility thus enables to shed light on the logic of action concerning the choices of studies, how individuals and their family face various constraints and the types of national or regional student mobilization, whether organized or not, religious or non-religious.

Proposals – which are welcomed from any discipline of social sciences- must be based on original fieldwork material.

By way of indication, contributions can fall within the scope of the following core themes:

1. **South-South university cooperation policies and international market of higher education**

This theme will try to shed light on the development of university cooperation policies between Southern countries in the public and private sectors. Where do they stand regarding the logics of the knowledge market in terms of training offer, pre-selection and redeployment of student flows?

Specific attention could be paid to the entrepreneurial dimension of such mobility, which contributes to the hierarchisation of training areas in the “Souths” and to polarization effects at the sub-regional level. The phenomenon of “relocation” of Northern universities could also be analyzed. The issue of regional polarization of training institutions in emerging countries and the strategies implemented to strengthen their activity could also be addressed.

2. **Circuits, student migratory flows and studies strategy**

This theme will try to determine the statistical weight and the development of student migratory flows at the South-South level. What are the new regional poles of attraction of student mobility in the South? Does such mobility follow specific migratory circuits? For which students? How do students - male or female- make their choice of studies in the South? Depending on the country, the university, the subject ? What social paths do they follow ?

3. **Experience, reception conditions, mobilisation**

This theme will explore the daily experience of Southern students in other hosting countries of the South. What are the reception conditions? How do they deal with the late payment of grants from their departure countries? What is the importance and role of family, volunteer associations and networks of contacts? Papers could examine the claims of students who were trained in the South and who moved back to their home country.
Page layout standards for submitted papers

The respect of these standards considerably facilitates the page layout. We would be very grateful if you could respect them scrupulously.

The papers must not exceed 50,000 characters, including spaces, infrapage notes, references, graphs and tables.

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