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## Plan Overview

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Title: Thesis for PhD Development Policy and Management, "Geopolitics and Upgrading in Global Value Chains: The Case of Palm Oil and Nickel in Indonesia"

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### Project abstract:

Global geopolitical shifts, including the pandemic and U.S.-China tensions, have triggered a growing focus on geopolitics within Global Value Chain (GVC) research. This thesis challenges reductionist accounts that reduce the geopolitics–GVC nexus to great-power rivalry and domestic derisking strategies, overlooking producer-state agency. Such a perspective places commodity-producing states as passive arenas for strategic competition or mere economic casualties. Using Indonesia's palm oil sector as a case study, this research problematizes the misreading of strategic agency of producer states within fragmented GVCs. Building from GVC, industrial policy, and geoeconomics literatures, this thesis proposes the concept of the 'state as negotiator', a framework for understanding how states deploy GVC-oriented policies and geopolitical diplomacy to reshape supply chains.

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## Manchester Data Management Outline

1. Will this project be reviewed by any of the following bodies (please select all that apply)?

- None of the above

2. Is The University of Manchester collaborating with other institutions on this project?

- No - only institution involved

3. What data will you use in this project (please select all that apply)?

- Acquire new data
- Re-use existing data (please list below)

Existing data include journals, papers, articles in media, books, data accessible from public source (i.e. UNCTAD international trade data).

4. Where will the data be stored and backed-up during the project lifetime?

- University of Manchester Research Data Storage Service (Isilon)
- Other storage system (please list below)

My personal computer and my personal cloud storage

5. If you will be using Research Data Storage, how much storage will you require?

- 1 - 8 TB

6. Are you going to be receiving data from, or sharing data with an external third party?

- No

7. How long do you intend to keep your data for after the end of your project (in years)?

- 21+ years

Guidance for questions 8 to 13

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Please note that in line with [data protection law](#) (the UK General Data Protection Regulation and Data Protection Act 2018), personal information should only be stored in an identifiable form for as long as is necessary for the project; it should be pseudonymised (partially de-identified) and/or anonymised (completely de-identified) as soon as practically possible. You must obtain the appropriate [ethical approval](#) in order to use identifiable personal data.

8. What type of information will you be processing (please select all that apply)?

- No confidential or personal data

9. How do you plan to store, protect and ensure confidentiality of any highly restricted data or personal data (please select all that apply)?

- Not applicable

10. If you are storing personal information (including contact details) will you need to keep it beyond the end of the project?

- Not applicable

11. Will the participants' information (personal and/or sensitive) be shared with or accessed by anyone outside of the University of Manchester?

- Not applicable

12. If you will be sharing personal information outside of the University of Manchester will the individual or organisation you are sharing with be outside the EEA?

- Not applicable

13. Are you planning to use the personal information for future purposes such as research?

- No

14. Will this project use innovative technologies to collect or process data?

- No

15. Who will act as the data custodian for this study, and so be responsible for the information involved?

N.a. - Theoretical project

16. Please provide the date on which this plan was last reviewed (dd/mm/yyyy).

2025-01-30

## Project details

What is the purpose of your research project?

To analyse how geopolitics interact with state's economic nationalism and the consequences for global value chains (i.e. natural resource sectors).

What policies and guidelines on data management, data sharing, and data security are relevant to your research project?

N.a.-Theoretical project

## Responsibilities and Resources

Who will be responsible for data management?

Me

What resources will you require to deliver your plan?

Non

## Data Collection

What data will you collect or create?

- I will read things and write about what I've read.
- I will interview government agencies and business actors.

How will the data be collected or created?

On my computer, and in whatever written notes I produce.

## Documentation and Metadata

What documentation and metadata will accompany the data?

Pictures, photos, interview notes, excel sheets (i.e. export-import data)

## Ethics and Legal Compliance

How will you manage any ethical issues?

All primary data (i.e. interviews, surveys) that is recorded or cited in the outcome (thesis) will go through process of formal consent agreement. If the source does not want his/her name to be declared, I will use anonymity.

How will you manage copyright and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) issues?

I will cite the authors I've read when referencing their arguments/findings.

## Storage and backup

How will the data be stored and backed up?

In a personal computer.

In a personal cloud.

How will you manage access and security?

Using passwords or encrypted methods

## Selection and Preservation

Which data should be retained, shared, and/or preserved?

N.a.

What is the long-term preservation plan for the dataset?

N.a.

## Data Sharing

How will you share the data?

If requested by supervisors, I will share data by using on-campus IT service such as sharepoint and exchange any detail through institution email.

Are any restrictions on data sharing required?

N.a.