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Gramscis work within geographical debates Demonstrates how Gramsci articulates a rich spatial sensibility whilst developing a distinctive approach to geographical questions Presents a substantially different reading of Gramsci from dominant post-Marxist perspectives, as well as more recent anarchist and post-anarchist critiques Builds on the emergence of Gramsci scholarship in recent years, taking this forward through studies across multiple continents, and asking how his writings might engage with and animate political movements today Forges a new approach within human geography, environmental studies and development theory, building on Gramscis innovative philosophy of praxis

This edited collection is a beacon of critical engagement with Gramscis philosophical and theoretical work and his political practice. This could be expected from the co-editors, each of whom has already critically appropriated and applied Gramscis ideas, and they have now added 12 impressive contributors to their number This is an important contribution to the urgent critical work of recovering, appropriating and recontextualizing Gramscis concepts, methods and analyses, and, above all, translating them for the current conjuncture, in which issues of political ecology as well as political economy are ever more critical to human flourishing. (Antipode, 1 November 2013) A book that has just landed on my desk is the fantastic volume edited by Michael Ekers, Gillian Hart, Stefan Kipfer and Alex Loftus entitled Gramsci: Space, Nature, Politics ...My hope is that this intervention and the outstanding chapters from all the additional contributors in the book will provoke renewed debate on space, nature, and politics in and beyond Gramsci! (Adam Morton, adamdavidmorton.com, 13 November 2012) 'From the backwoods to the frontlines, Gramscis geographical imagination receives here the thoroughgoing exploration it has always deserved. With deep and nuanced attention to Gramscis spatial historicism, this collection foregrounds the profoundly geographical nature of Gramscis critical consciousness and what it offers for thinking space, nature and politics relationally. As beautifully considered as its cover, this book is alive to the earthliness of thought and its political possibilities.' Cindi Katz, Earth and Environmental Sciences Environmental Psychology Programs, The City University of New York This well-crafted volume pushes the boundaries of current debates on Gramsci. Highlighting spatial and geographical relations, the diverse contributions pay detailed attention to Gramscis writings while opening an array of contemporary issues including struggles in Brazil, Nepal, India and South Africa; discussions of gender, class, race and ecology; and engagements with the theoretical work of Laclau Mouffe, Lefebvre, Harvey, Hardt Negri and Subaltern Studies. The contributors have set a hallmark in scholarship that will be very influential across many fields from critical geography and international relations to political theory, development studies and postcolonialism.' Peter Ives, Department of Politics, University of Winnipeg, Canada From the Back Cover This first volume on Antonio Gramscis relevance to contemporary concerns with space and nature takes Gramsci scholarship in new directions. It shows how his writings, well known for their historical nuance, also convey a rich spatial sensibility and a distinctive approach to geographical and ecological questions. By linking Gramscis socially differentiated understanding of politics to his spatial and ecological concerns, the contributors demonstrate his relevance to new audiences. While recognizing his sometimes problematic discussions of sexuality, gender, racism, and (post)colonialism, several contributors discern distinctive elements of his work that bear directly on current debates. The volume presents a substantially different Gramsci from post-Marxist perspectives and recent anarchist and post-anarchist critiques. It retains his revolutionary orientation, and highlights the profound conceptual and political leverage that a spatialized reading of Gramsci enables today. Reorienting his innovative philosophy of praxis, it proposes new approaches within human geography, environmental studies, and development theory.