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SPEAKER EVENT:

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NON-SUFFERING WORK: CHINA'S MEDICAL INTERVENTIONS IN POST-CONFLICT SOUTH SUDAN

China has long been invested in giving medical aid to African countries. But unlike its counterparts in Europe and the US—whose aid is driven by “compassion” and discourses of “suffering”—or its own earlier Mao-era aid of “revolutionary humanitarianism,” China today sees its medical interventions on the continent as “international humanitarianism.” Based on fieldwork and archival research from 2013 to 2018, this talk will give an overview of China’s medical programs in South Sudan from the 1970s to the present. The Juba Teaching Hospital will serve as a case study to show how Chinese doctors mediate their professional and social space

