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Propositions belonging to the dissertation

Planning for inclusive flood resilience in Southeast Asia:

A critical perspective on policy translation, institutional capacity building and transformation

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1. Challenges to address urban flood vulnerabilities in developing countries are mostly institutional (*this dissertation*)
2. For inclusive flood resilience planning interpretative and institutional perspectives have to be combined as it concerns both justice (what is important?) and practice (how to achieve this?) (*this dissertation, Chapter 1*)
3. While safeguarding the economy is important for urban flood resilience policy, policy makers should not neglect the social justice and interests of vulnerable communities (*this dissertation, Chapter 2*)
4. Policy knowledge from international experts is hardly useful, unless local actors are actively involved in translating and interpreting this knowledge in local water planning practice (*this dissertation, Chapter 3*)
5. For designing *and* implementing integrated flood resilience solutions, local collaborative and creative processes need to be in sync with enabling national regulatory frameworks and policy directions (*this dissertation, Chapters 4 and 5*)
6. It is never just about flooding; when framing flooding issues and solutions, it is essential to take into account the broader societal, urban and economic contexts (*this dissertation, Chapter 6*)
7. Transformative change is not so much about promoting new ideas and solutions, but especially requires social learning, empathy and careful listening, as well as the formation of new networks and coalitions (*this dissertation, Chapter 6*)
8. The distribution of negative impacts from disaster risks such as flooding and pandemic in both developed and developing countries is unjust, and is enlarging the gap between the Global North and Global South
9. No one will ever be truly safe until everyone is safe (Amina Mohammed)
10. You may need all six Infinity Stones to complete a PhD dissertation (Marvel Cinematic Universe)
11. A critical researcher needs to carefully listen and observe in order to give a voice to underprivileged stakeholders