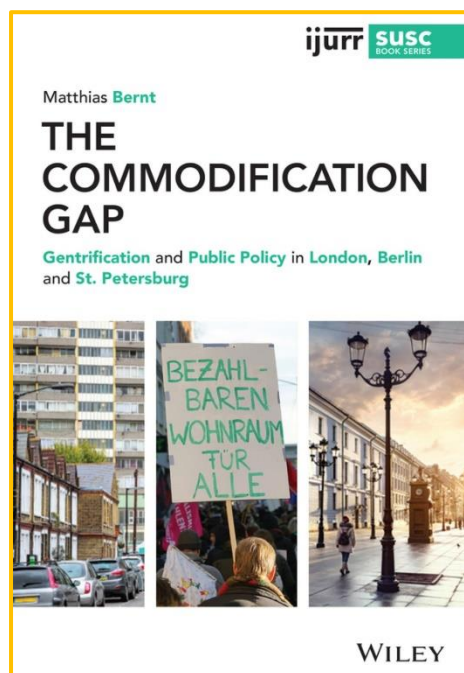


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#### Matthias Bernt: The commodification gap. Gentrification and public policy in London, Berlin and St. Petersburg



Gentrification has been a long-time focus of debates among scholars studying post-communist cities. This session is dedicated to discussing a new book published by **Matthias Bernt** in which he develops a new institutionalist perspective on the field of gentrification studies. Based on the empirical study of the relationship between the operation of gentrification and the institutions underpinning it in three neighbourhoods in London, Berlin and St. Petersburg, Matthias Bernt shows how different institutional arrangements have resulted in the facilitation, deceleration or alteration of gentrification across time and place.

The session aims at bringing together gentrification researchers from different post-communist cities and examines if and how Bernt's book provides useful perspectives for a reorientation of gentrification studies.

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