

Bouillon d'idées le **lundi 21 octobre (12H00 - 13h00)** - Géopolis - 3799.

Delving into waste: narratives and thoughts on a six-months fieldwork in Cartagena (Colombia)



Photo: Laura Neville (2019). Recyclable materials in a warehouse, *El Pozón* neighbourhood, Cartagena (Colombia).

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This session will aim at sharing fieldwork narratives and preliminary thoughts that emerge from a six-months fieldwork in Cartagena (Colombia). In this presentation, I will first introduce the methodology and reflect on the way the research questions evolved during the fieldwork; second, I will share some initial thoughts based on the narratives from the field by briefly presenting the four main case studies of the research. Finally, I wish to discuss the next steps towards elaborating on the theoretical analysis.

Overall, the research draws on the unique materiality of solid waste as an entry point to delve into broader urbanization processes in Cartagena. In particular, the research looks at the socio-political dynamics of solid waste at the city scale, neighbourhood, to the household. In tracing the process, the research aims to analyse the social production of urban space through the lens of waste.

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