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READING LIST

Course Title: Will Energy Transition Lead to More Conflicts?
Location: Ewert House, Oxford
Term Dates: 21 Jan 2026 to 18 Feb 2026
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The reading list below was supplied by the course tutor.

If you have enrolled on a course starting in the autumn, you can become a borrowing member of the Rewley House library from 1st September. If you are enrolled on a course starting in other terms, you can become a borrowing member once the previous term has ended. For example, students starting in January can join the Library in early December and those starting in April can join in early March.

If you are planning to purchase any books, please keep in mind that courses with insufficient students enrolled will be cancelled. The Department accepts no responsibility for books bought in anticipation of a course running.

Preparatory Reading List

The items on this list are to give you some background to the materials and ideas that we will be covering on the course.

Author	Title
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Humphreys, Macartan, Sachs, Jeffrey, Stiglitz, Josef (eds)	<i>Escaping the Resource Curse</i> (Columbia University Press, 2007)
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Karl, Terry L.	<i>The Paradox of Plenty: Oil Booms and Petro-States</i> (University of California Press, 1997)
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Ross, Michael L.	<i>Blood barrels: Why oil wealth fuels conflict</i> (Foreign Affairs, Vol. 87, No. 3, May-June 2008)
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Sovacool, Benjamin et al	<i>Conflicting transitions: Exploring the actors, tactics and outcomes of social opposition against energy infrastructure</i> (Global Environmental Change, 73, 2022.)
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Course Reading List

The items on this list are to support your learning while you are taking the course.

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Ateyo, Priscilla	<i>Fuelling Conflict?The impact of green energy transition on peace and security. (Research paper, International Alert, September 2022)</i>
Beblawi, Hazem, Luciani, Giacomo	<i>The Rentier State (London, Croom Helm, 1987)</i>
Berman, Nicolas et al	<i>This mine is mine!How minerals fuel conflicts in Africa (American Economic Review, 107/(6), 2017)</i>
Bordoff, Jason, O'Sullivan, Meghan L.	<i>The Age of Energy Insecurity. How the Fight for Resources Is Upending Geopolitics. (Foreign Affairs, May/June 2023.)</i>
Brunet, Carole, Bouchard, Michel A., Baptiste, Pierre, Savadogo, Oumarou, Sokona, Youba, Merveille, Nicolas.	<i>Will Solar Energy Escape the Natural "Resource Curse"? (Energy Strategy Reviews 44 (2022).)</i>
Colgan, Jeff D.	<i>Petro-aggression. When oil causes war. (Cambridge University Press, 2013)</i>
Collier, Paul, Hoeffler, Nike	<i>Resource Rents, Governance and Conflict (Journal of Conflict Resolution, Vol.49, issue 4, 2005.)</i>
Collier, Paul.	<i>The Political Economy of Natural Resources (Social Research: An International Quarterly 77(4), 2010.)</i>
Freeman Madison, Bazilian,Morgan	<i>How renewable energy could fuel future conflicts (Georgetown Journal of International Affairs, October 8, 2018)</i>
Gross, Terry	<i>How "modern-day slavery" in the Congo powers the rechargeable battery economy (NPR, February 1, 2023)</i>
Hafner, Manfred, Tagliapietra, Simone (eds)	<i>The Geopolitics of the Global Energy Transition (Lecture notes in energy, Vol.73. SpringerOpen, 2020)</i>
Ivanov, Martin	<i>Decarbonise and Democratise: How the European Green Deal Could Transform High-Carbon Economies (European Council For Foreign Relations, Commentary, 19 January, 2022)</i>
Kelanic, Rosemary	<i>A theory of strategic anticipation (in Black Gold and Blackmail, Cornell University Press, 2020)</i>
Koch, Natalie, Perreault, Tom	<i>Resource Nationalism in Progress (Human Geography 43(4), 2019)</i>

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- Leonard, Alicia, Ahsan, Aniq, Charbonnnier, Flora, Hirmer, Stephanie *The Resource Curse in Renewable Energy: A Framework for risk assessment (Energy Strategy Reviews 41 (2022))*
- Manberger, Andre *Renewable Energy Transition, Demand for Metals and Resource Curse Effects (Tsani, Stella, Overland, Indra (eds) Handbook of Sustainable Politics and Economics of Natural Resources, Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd, 2021)*
- Manberger, Andre, Johansson, Bengt. *The Geopolitics of Metals and Metalloids Used for the Renewable Energy Transition (Energy Strategy Reviews 26 (2019))*
- Moe, Espen and Midford, Paul *The political economy of renewable energy and energy security. Common challenges and national responses in Japan, China and Northern Europe (Palgrave MacMillan, 2014)*
- Nafziger, E.Wayne; Stewart, Fransis; Vayrynen, Raimo *War, Hunger and Displacement (Vol.1,2, Oxford University Press, 2000)*
- Ross, Michael *Oil, Islam and Women (American Political Science Review, Vol.102, Issue 1, 2008)*
- Ross, Michael *The Oil Curse:How Petroleum Wealth Shapes the Development of Nations (Princeton University Press, 2012)*
- Sim, Li-Chen. *Low-Carbon Energy in the Gulf: Upending the Rentier State? (Energy Research and Social Science 70 (2020))*
- Stevens, Paul. *The Geopolitical Implications of Future Oil Demand (Chatham House, Energy, Environment and Resources Department, August 2019)*