

Salib Merah, Pesta Babi and anticolonial worldmaking in West Papua



In Indonesian-controlled West Papua, the National Strategic Projects for food and energy estates, framed by the Indonesian state as strategies for climate mitigation and national food self-sufficiency, have instead reinforced colonial practices through land dispossession, ecological degradation, settler and military occupation, and direct and indirect rule over Indigenous peoples and their territories.

This talk examines *Gerakan Palang Adat dan Salib Merah* as an Indigenous response to these renewed colonial formations. It also reflects on the production of the film *Pesta Babi*: Colonialism in our time as a site of contemporary anticolonial worldmaking in West Papua and Indonesia: a collective practice through which Indigenous Papuans and their allies enact alternative social, political, ecological, and spiritual horizons that contest colonial domination while affirming Indigenous forms of life, coexistence, and sovereign futures.

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