

Biographies

Akteurinnen für urbanen Ungehorsam is an interdisciplinary city research collective currently focusing on geographies and embodiments of invisible digital infrastructures and urban gig work. While we combine experience and expertise in fields such as architecture, communication design, and political and urban studies, our toolbox is based on critical feminist thinking as well as ethnographic research methods. With it, we tackle questions of cities in crisis, forms of dwelling, and ideas of future urban life. Currently, we do this mainly in and around Hamburg, Germany, as well as online.

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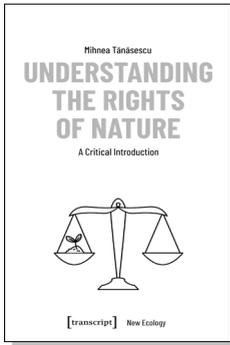
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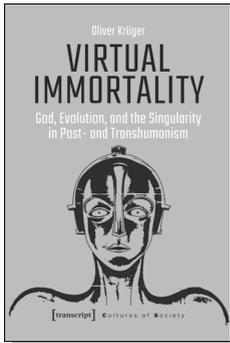
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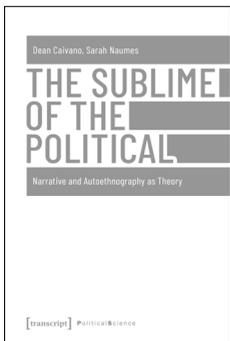
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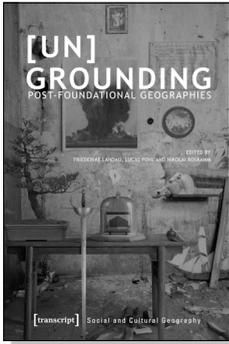
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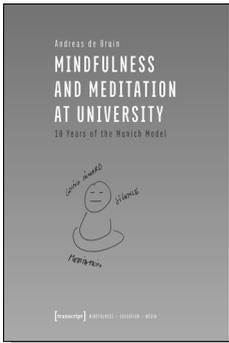
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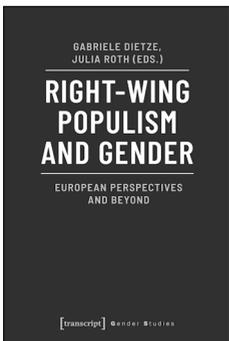
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