

In the Way of Development

Indigenous Peoples, Life Projects and Globalization

EDITED BY MARIO BLASER,
HARVEY A. FEIT AND GLENN McRAE



ZED BOOKS
London & New York

in association with

International Development Research Centre

Ottawa · Cairo · Dakar · Montevideo · Nairobi · New Delhi · Singapore

Contents

Acknowledgements	viii
1 Indigenous Peoples and Development Processes: New Terrains of Struggle MARIO BLASER, HARVEY A. FEIT AND GLENN McRAE	1
2 Life Projects: Indigenous Peoples' Agency and Development MARIO BLASER	26
PART I Visions: Life Projects, Representations and Conflicts	
3 Life Projects: Development Our Way BRUNO BARRAS	47
4 'Way of Life' or 'Who Decides': Development, Paraguayan Indigenism and the Yshiro People's Life Projects MARIO BLASER	52
5 Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Sustainable Development: Towards Coexistence DEBORAH McGREGOR	72
6 James Bay Cree's Life Projects and Politics: Histories of Place, Animal Partners and Enduring Relationships HARVEY A. FEIT	92

- 7 Grassroots Transnationalism and Life Projects of Vermonters
in the Great Whale Campaign
GLENN McRAE 111
- 8 'The People Had Discovered Their Own Approach to Life':
Politicizing Development Discourse
WENDY RUSSELL 130

PART II Strategies: States, Markets and Civil Society

- 9 Survival in the Context of Mega-Resource Development: Experiences
of the James Bay Crees and the First Nations of Canada
MATTHEW COON COME 153
- 10 The Importance of Working Together: Exclusions, Conflicts and
Participation in James Bay, Quebec
BRIAN CRAIK 166
- 11 Defending a Common Home: Native/non-Native Alliances
against Mining Corporations in Wisconsin
AL GEDICKS AND ZOLTÁN GROSSMAN 187
- 12 Chilean Economic Expansion and Mega-development Projects
in Mapuche Territories
ALDISSON ANGUIA MARIQUEO 204
- 13 Hydroelectric Development on the Bío-Bío River, Chile:
Anthropology and Human Rights Advocacy
BARBARA ROSE JOHNSTON AND CARMEN GARCIA-DOWNING 211

PART III Invitations: Connections and Coexistence

- 14 Revisiting Gandhi and Zapata: Motion of Global Capital, Geographies
of Difference and the Formation of Ecological Ethnicities
PRAMOD PARAJULI 235
- 15 A Dream of Democracy in the Russian Far East
PETRA RETHMANN 256

16	The 'Risk Society': Tradition, Ecological Order and Time–Space Acceleration	
	PETER HARRIES-JONES	279
17	Conflicting Discourses of Property, Governance and Development in the Indigenous North	
	COLIN SCOTT	299
18	Resistance, Determination and Perseverance of the Lubicon Cree Women	
	DAWN MARTIN-HILL	313
19	Restoring Our Relationships for the Future	
	MARY ARQUETTE, MAXINE COLE AND THE AKWESASNE TASK FORCE ON THE ENVIRONMENT	332
20	In Memoriam	
	CHIEF HARVEY LONGBOAT (1936–2001)	351
	Index	354