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Qualifications

Master of Science, Global Urban Development and Planning, The University of Manchester

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Bachelor of Arts, International studies, Monash University

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Communications

- 2025 Park, M (2025) 'Into the new world - what do South Korean protesters really want now?', Oxford Political Review.
- 2025 'South Korea's urban development policy in the 80s: land & housing policies and the urban poor movements in Korea', RIKS Workshop (The light and shade of the 5th Republic of Korea, oral presentation), Seoul (Korea University), Jan 2025
- 2024 'Platform urbanism in the informal economy – digital platforms and the kampung life in Jakarta, Indonesia', PhD Symposium on informality/visual methods (panelist), Manchester, Dec 2024.
- 2024 'Urban informality in the platform age – findings from Jakarta, Indonesia', Urban Informality Conference, DSA (poster presentation), Sheffield, Sep 2024.
- 2024 'Appropriate technologies for African cities', EKC 2024 (Co-chair & oral presentation), Warwick, Aug 2024.
- 2024 'Digital platforms and urban informality – regulation, legitimization, value extraction and collective agency', Development Studies Association Conference (oral presentation), SOAS London, Jun 2024.
- 2024 Park, M, Gandhi, A & Giri Sucahyo, Y (2024) From word-of-mouth to star ratings: Platforms and the changing nature of trust in the informal sector, blogpost, ICTs for Development.
- 2023 Ibrahim, A & Park, M (2023) Key principles for urban reform coalitions that work, blogpost, ACRC blog.
- 2023 'Digital platforms and urban informality', EKC 2023 (oral presentation), Munich, Aug 2023.

Publications

- 2025 Park, M, Foster, C & Heeks, R (2025), 'Conceptualising urban informality in the platform economy – regulation, legitimization, value extraction and collective agency', *International Development Planning Review*, 47(3): 259-281.
- 2025 Park, M, Gandhi, A, Azzahra Budiman, NJ, Sucahyo, YG, Foster, C & Heeks, R 2025 'Contextualising Digital Platforms in the Informal Economy: Policy and Reality in Jakarta, Indonesia' GDI Digital Development Working Papers, no. 114, Manchester.
- 2025 Kim, J., Olsen, W., Ibrahim, M., Ambekar, H., McCan, S., & Park, M. (2025). Follow-up study on the effect of social engagements on the reduction of teenage pregnancy in Akatsi North District, Volta Region, Ghana [Report]. University of Manchester; Good Neighbors.
- 2024 Park, M, Kim, E, Noh, H, Jung, K, Ahn, K & Kim, B (2024) 'Appropriate technologies for African cities – A problem-driven approach', *Journal of Appropriate Technology*, 10(3): 207-219.
- 2023 Park, M (2023) [book review] 'The political economy of North Korea: Domestic, Regional, and Global Dynamics', *The Journal of Development Studies*, 59(12): 1949-1950.