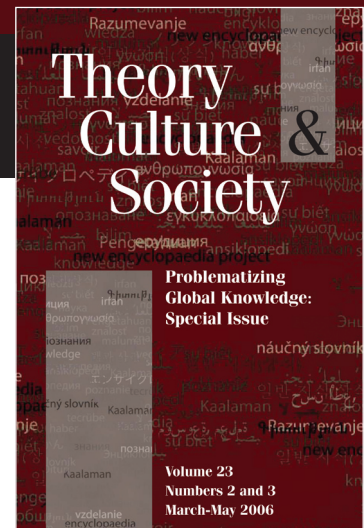


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As the journal **Theory, Culture & Society** approaches its 25th Anniversary in 2007, members of the **TCS** editorial board, along with colleagues in East and South-East Asia and other parts of the world, have been working on a new ambitious undertaking: the New Encyclopaedia Project. The **TCS** special issue 'Problematizing Global Knowledge' is our first venture in 'encyclopaedic explorations' which outlines our concern to begin to rethink knowledge under the impact of globalization and digitalization. The issue will feature over 150 entries and supplements on a range of topics which are addressed in terms of their relevance to knowledge formation, by contributors writing from a wide range of perspectives and different parts of the world. The entries and supplements are gathered under three main headings: metaconcepts, metanarratives and sites and institutions.

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