



Public History and Memory-Making in Post-Conflict Ethiopia: A Comparative Study

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Abstract

Post-conflict Ethiopia has experienced significant historical changes, particularly in its urban landscapes and public spaces. The research employs a comparative approach, analysing case studies from different regions to understand the role of historical narratives in shaping contemporary urban environments. Public monuments and memorials play a crucial role in reinforcing collective memory and fostering national cohesion in these settings. This study highlights how public history initiatives can serve as catalysts for social healing and community engagement, particularly in post-conflict contexts. Policy makers should prioritise the integration of historical narratives into urban planning to support social reconstruction efforts. Post-Conflict Ethiopia, Public History, Memory-Making, Urban Development

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