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### Review

"...the latest book by Cristina Flesher Fominaya, *Social Movements and Globalization*, comes as a careful dissection of some of the most intriguing concepts relevant to the economic and political processes of the last century and the enduring desire for social transformation. Flesher Fominaya provides us with a master compilation of all that catches our attention, grasps our interest and urges our understanding."- Parthena Xanthopoulou-Dimitriadou , ROARMAG. See full review: [roarmag.org/2014/11/social-movements-and-globalization/](http://roarmag.org/2014/11/social-movements-and-globalization/)

"Flesher Fominaya presents a creative analysis of globalizing processes... the book manages to capture the complexity of global, national and local processes, and the ways they have influenced, and been influenced by, the dynamics of social movements...*Social Movements and Globalization* is an admirable book..." -- Simin Fadaee. *Antipode Journal* .

"This is a timely and useful book, offering an authoritative overview of scholarly literature on globalisation and social movements alongside a near-exhaustive survey of recent examples of activism, ranging from the Global Justice Movement, to the so-called Arab Spring, to Occupy...Overall, this book should be required reading for those social movement scholars and students seeking to make sense of recent developments in movement politics within a global frame."--Catherine Eschle, *Interface Journal*

"Social Movements & Globalization ..brings together rich description of current events with acute analysis...Scholars and students would benefit from this persuasive approach to understanding social movements and protests ...anti-austerity and pro-democracy activists, among others, would appreciate the careful focus on the temporalities of protest, emphasizing how activist practices and ideas travel to ignite new political projects around the world... it will also be appealing to the larger public." Natalia Ruiz-Junco, *Social Movement Studies Journal*

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Globalization and social movements are inextricably linked. Contemporary social movements both shape and are shaped by globalization. *Social Movements and Globalization* explores this link, providing a fascinating insight into the dynamics, challenges and opportunities of contemporary social movements in a globalized world, while simultaneously revealing the effects, critiques and limitations of globalization. Engaging and accessible, the book's comprehensive introduction to the definitions, theories and debates surrounding social movements and globalization is richly illustrated by case studies from around the world - from anonymous, to 15 M/Indignados, to the Zapatistas, the Arab spring and more.

In drawing on cutting-edge research, up-to-date analysis, and offering coverage of key areas of study - with chapters on the Global Justice Movement, cultural resistance, media, cyber activism and the recent global protest wave of anti-austerity and pro-democracy movements - the book makes a vital and original contribution to a range of disciplines, not least Sociology, Politics, International Relations, Media Studies and Cultural Studies.

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