Why aid efficiency will not deliver development: a feminist legal critique of the aid effectiveness architecture and the Paris Declaration On Aid Effectiveness.

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Abstract:
This thesis will undertake to ascertain the importance assigned to gender equality within the aid effectiveness architecture, and specifically within the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness. It will seek to critically analyse the interplay of gender equality with three key components of the architecture—its parties, process and priorities. Using an international feminist legal lens, this critical analysis will seek to interrogate why the advancement of gender equality continues to remain excluded from the ongoing international development discourse, yet, it is argued that people-centered development will only be realised if it remains at the heart of international development law, policy and practice.

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