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Focusing on moments in which contests over ecology become moments for rethinking the ecology of knowledge, the papers in this volume engage contests over nature in a settings ranging from urban South Africa to the Peruvian Andes; from the Benguela ecosystem fisheries to northern Australia.

Setting leading scholars from across the south in dialogue with emerging researchers, the book sets up a rich dialogue in the south on the anthropology of the knowledge, organised as three parts, each of which offers an intervention in current dialogues on ecology, nature and the idea of the environment. The first intervention explores political ontology: the idea that the world comprises 'nature' and 'culture'. The second pursues the differences in accounts of space, time and what it means to be alive. The third considers the complexities of the relationship between governance, science, and publics.

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