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THE NEW VEIL: CLIMATE MIGRATION, REGIME SHIFT, AND A NEW THEORY OF JUSTICE

Climate change is as much a sociopolitical phenomenon as it is a geophysical one. Beyond contentious domestic politics and the intricacies of global climate governance, evinced by the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and two and a half decades of subsequent negotiation, climate change unabated promises to upend centuries-old efforts to bring order and stability to communities across the globe. No one effect of climate change evinces that more than the loss of habitability driving climate-induced displacement, migration, and relocation. Though discussed at the periphery of legal and policy discourse (mostly in academia), decision-makers will soon have to confront loss of physical territory and the unviability of many places human communities currently call home. Further, and consistent with so many of climate change's worst impacts, the least responsible will be subject to the most disruption—whether it is as a migrant or a host of those who have moved.

