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A site that arouses dreams and fantasies, the island is often perceived as a kind of laboratory that distills processes observable at a planetary scale. Although they are traditionally seen as objects with strategic stakes, islands have been approached differently in the context of globalization. Beyond their unique aspects, they shine a very specific light on such major contemporary geopolitical processes as migrancy, regionalization, mass tourism, tax havens, climate change, etc.

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