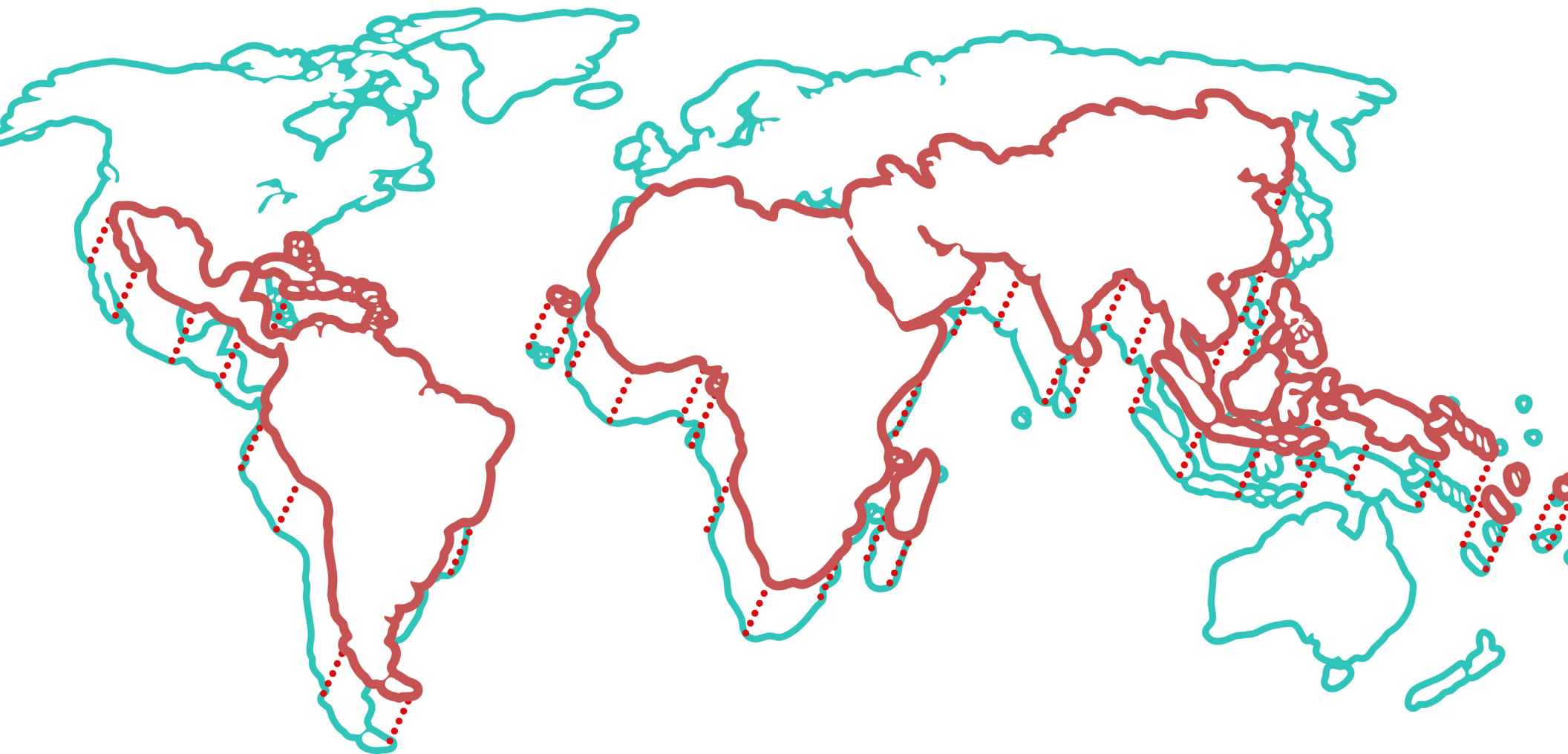# AN OPEN DIGITAL GLOBAL SOUTH: RISKS & REWARDS

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This conference explores the promises and risks of openness in scholarship in relationship to the Global South. Research and scholarship are increasingly adopting 'open' models of practice and sharing, as open access publications, open data, and open source software. This openness supports improved research reusability, reproducibility, and visibility. Scholarly 'openness' is intended to facilitate the free flow of information, to address barriers to equitable access, and to foster global intellectual conversations.

Do attempts at promoting openness in scholarship create new forms of exclusion or hierarchy in various regions of the world? How are Southern scholars and publishers' experiences with open access and open data taken into account within conversations on developing standards and models for 'open' scholarship in the Global North? Are there unanticipated opportunities or risks created through the implementation of models for open data, open software, or open access to research?

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