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**Okinawan Development Policy Discourse: Then and Now**

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The paper compares and contrasts the discourse surrounding Okinawan development policy around the time of Okinawa’s 1972 reversion with that of today by delineating the discursive continuities and discontinuities in local government development plans then and now. The paper argues that, even as certain fundamental constants remain (e.g., the economically problematic character of Okinawa’s small island economy, geographic isolation, and historical circumstances, along with the heavy presence of US military bases), the documents suggest that a paradigm shift is under way from a technocratic, materialist paradigm to one that is centered on what can be described as post-industrial “flexible development.”

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**The Spatial and Temporal Patterns of Tourism Development in Okinawa Prefecture**

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This paper presents a new evolutionary model of spatial and temporal changes in Okinawa Prefecture’s tourism across its many islands since 1972. Specifically, the study examines the development of tourism infrastructure such as highways, bridges, flight routes, and resorts across the islands of the prefecture. The paper maps the spread of flights and resorts to more islands over time and space. This research considers the applicability of existing literature on tourism development, tourism life-cycle models, and tourism geography to a multi-island destination, and attempts to conceptualize a new approach in mapping tourism development across an archipelagic geography such as Okinawa’s.

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**Theoretical and Practical Implications of the Tourism Area Life Cycle for Okinawa and Hawaii: A Comparative Analysis**

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