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OD-B-8 Responding to Needs: Individual and State Strategies to Managing Every Day Life

Chair: Monica Fagioli

Complexities of State-Building in Somaliland

Monica Fagioli, Independent Scholar

Okadas and Danfos: Citizenship, the State, and Privately Organized Public Transportation in Nigeria

Daniel Smith, Brown University

Volunteering for a Job: Tanzanian Youth, Class, and Volunteer Labor

Chelsea Cutright, University of Kentucky

Individual Agency in State Capacity: Comparing Sino-Africa railway development in Kenya and Ethiopia

Yuan Wang, University of Oxford

OD-C-6 Religious Responses to Pandemics

Chair: Laura Meek, University of Hong Kong

RELIGION AND PANDEMICS: INTERROGATING CHRISTIAN/MUSLIM RESPONSES TO COVID-19 IN NIGERIA

Egodi Uchendu, University of Nigeria, Nsukka and Chukwuemeka Agbo, The University of Texas at Austin

Covid-19 and the Reshaping of Religious Practices in Uganda

Jacob Katumusiime, Makerere Institute of Social Research (MISR)

Covid-19, T.B. Joshua, and Troubling Medical/Religious Divisions in Tanzania

Laura Meek, University of Hong Kong

OD-D-3 Roundtable: Podcasts and the Study of Africa: A Digital Technology's Impact on Research, Teaching, and Public Engagement

Chair: Peter Alegi, Michigan State University

Msia Kibona Clark, Howard University

Kim Yi Dionne, University of California Riverside

Peter Alegi, Michigan State University

Reginold Royston, University of Wisconsin-Madison

OD-D-4 Roundtable: The Politics of the Archives: From the Print Era to the Digital Age Part I

Chair: Shola Adenekan, University of Bremen

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Liz Timbs, North Carolina State University

Amatoritsero Ede, University of the Bahamas
Stephanie Bosch Santana, UCLA

OD-D-5 Roundtable: The Politics of the Archives: From the Print Era to the Digital Age Part II

Chair: Kwabena Opoku-Agyemang, University of Ghana

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Kuukuwa Manful, SOAS
James Yeku, University of Kansas
Jennifer Hart, Wayne State University

OD-E-4 From Ivory Towers to Ebony Towers: Transforming Humanities Curricula in South Africa, Africa, and African-American Studies

Chair: Oluwaseun Tella, University of Johannesburg
Co-Chair: Shireen Motala, University of Johannesburg

Shireen Motala, University of Johannesburg
Adekeye Adebajo, University of Johannesburg
Pamela Khanakwa, Makerere University
David Owusu-Ansah, James Madison University
Krista Johnson, Howard University

OD-E-5 Language, Education, and Belonging in Conflict

Chair: Celia Reddick, Harvard University

“Without the language you cannot be identified”: Sudanese and South Sudanese refugee children’s sense of belonging in exile

Celia Reddick, Harvard University

English as Resistance: South Sudan’s Unification Through Language in the New National Curriculum

Orelia Jonathan, Harvard University

Discussant: Orelia Jonathan, Harvard University

OD-F-5 Critical Conservation Studies

Chair: Annette LaRocco, Florida Atlantic University

“Mr. Crane, the Faithful Husband”: Ugandans Rethinking Wetland Conservation, 1986 to Present

John Doyle-Raso, Michigan State University

Post-Corona Wildlife Conservation in the Anthropocene: Botswana as an instructive case

Parakh Hoon, South Puget Sound Community College

“Wangari Maathai and the Green Belt Movement, 1970s-2011: A History Lesson on Grassroots Environmental Power, Purpose, and Possibility in Kenya.”

Willis Okech Oyugi, Sam Houston State University

Conservation and Political Conflict in Africa's 'Miracle' State

Annette LaRocco, Florida Atlantic University

The African Case for Carbon Removal

Olúfẹmi O. Táíwò, Georgetown University

OD-F-6 Land, Resources, and Energy Use in Senegal: Past and Present

Chair: Stephen Wood, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies

The Old is New: Renewable Energy and Biofuels in Postcolonial Senegal

John Cropper, College of Charleston

Experimental Rice Agriculture and Solutions to Saltwater Incursion in the Senegal River Basin, 1945-1990

Rebecca Wall, Stanford University

The Faltering Land Rush and the Limits to Extractive Capitalism in Senegal

Marie Gagné, University of Toronto,

A Mine in the Park? The Moral Imagination of Borders in Senegal's Niokolo Koba National Park

Robyn d'Avignon, New York University

Discussant: Ashley Fent, Vassar College

OD-F-7 Water Insecurity In the Era of Global Climate Change

Chair: Allen Isaacman, University of Minnesota and University of Western Cape

Stephan Meischers, University of California, Santa Barbara

Dzodzi Tsikaata, University of Lagon

Harry Verhoeven, Georgetown University

Angie Zhanjin, Independent Scholar

OD-G-10 Political Engagement and Economic Empowerment of Women in Uganda

Chair: Paige Schneider, University of the South

Income Generation and Empowerment Pathways for Rural Women of Jagusi Parish, Uganda: A Double Sided Sword

Robin Marsh, University of California, Berkeley

Resisting Women's Political Leadership: The Experiences of Local Councilors in Uganda

Paige Schneider, University of the South

Of 'Yellow Girls' and Banana Leaves: Women and the Removal of Executive Term Limits in Uganda

Amanda Edgell, University of Alabama

OD-G-11 Rethinking Women in South Africa's Congress Movement(s)

Chair: Jill Kelly, Southern Methodist University

Shireen Hassim, Carleton University

Rachel Sandwell, McGill University

Joel Cabrita, Stanford University

Meghan Healy-Clancy, Bridgewater State University

Sisonke Msimang, Wits Institute for Social and Economic Research

OD-G-13 What About Widows Part I: The Resilience Of Widows

Chair: Claire Robertson, Ohio State University

Co-Chair: Benjamin Lawrance, University of Arizona

The Children's Fight: The Centrality of Motherhood to Widowhood in Rural Sierra Leone

Catherine E. Bolten, University of Notre Dame

Widows, Sex, & Death

Joanna Davidson, Boston University

Willful Quiescence, Powerless Resistance, or Ambiguous Militarization: Exploring the Socio-Political Belonging of Nigerian Army Widows of The Boko Haram Insurgency

Fisayo Ajala, Stellenbosch University

Fleeing Levirate, Sororate, and Witch Camps: African Widow Self-Reliance and Western Asylum Claiming

Benjamin N. Lawrance, University of Arizona

Discussant: Jacqueline-Bethel Mougoué, University of Wisconsin, Madison

OD-G-14 What About Widows Part II: Slavery, Inheritance, & Slave-Trading Widows

Chair: Walter Hawthorne, Michigan State University

Co-Chair: Benjamin Lawrance, University of Arizona

The Demonization of Wealthy African Women in 17th-century Upper Guinea

Vanicléia Silva Santos, University of Pennsylvania

The Signares of Senegal: marriage, widowhood, heritage and autonomy in the 18th and 19th centuries

Juliana Barreto Farias, Universidade da Integração Internacional da Lusofonia Afro-brasileira,

Slave Owning Widows from Portuguese Mozambique during the Late Nineteenth Century

Daniel B. Domingues da Silva, Rice University

Widows, 'Ordinary' Men, and the Politics of Marriage in the Early Colonial French Soudan

Wallace Teska, Stanford University

Discussant: Richard Roberts, Stanford University

OD-G-15 What About Widows Part III: Widowhood, Law, & Custom

Chair: Brett Shadle, Virginia Tech

Co-Chair: Benjamin Lawrance, University of Arizona

Marriage, Widowhood, and Law in Angola, 1850-1880

Mariana Candido, Notre Dame University & Emory University

Of Guns and Widows: The Gender of Inheritance and Accumulation in Late Colonial French Soudan (colonial Mali)

Emily Burrill, Univ. of North Carolina Chapel Hill

Between Laws and Customs: A Treacherous Widowhood Journey in Nigeria

Wesley Innocent Alubo, National Human Rights Commission, Nigeria,

Refusing 'Native Law': Widows and the Remaking of Custom in Colonial Natal, 1875-1905

Liz Thornberry, Johns Hopkins University

Discussant: Katie Luongo, Northeastern University

OD-G-16 What About Widows Part IV: Inheritance Rights and Wrongs

Chair: Rachel Jean-Baptiste, University of California Davis

Co-Chair: Benjamin Lawrance, University of Arizona

Challenges, Coping Strategies and Consequences of Bereavement for Middle-Aged Widows and Widowers in Effutu Municipality, Central Region, Ghana

Pearl Kumi, University of Cape Coast

Uprising Veuves: Redefining Women's Public Status in Post-Emancipation Gorée

Sarah Kumi Western Washington University

Resisting and Owning: Widowhood fatwas in 19th and early 20th Century Mauritania

Abbass Braham, University of Arizona

The social context of widowhood rites and women's human rights in Cameroon

Mathias Fubah Alubafi, HRSC

Discussant: Dorothy Hodgson, Brandeis University

OD-G-17 What About Widows Part V: Widow Rights and Widowhood Rites

Chair: Richard L. Roberts, Stanford University

Co-Chair: Benjamin Lawrance, University of Arizona

Crossing the River: Journeys into widowhood through mourning rituals in contemporary Lesotho

Seithati Rafoneke, University of Pretoria,

Four Months, Ten Days and Beyond: Widowhood Rites in a Muslim Sudanese Village

Rogaia Mustafa Abusharaf, SFSQ-Georgetown University

Widows and their worth: the gendered politics of intestate succession in postcolonial Ghana

Kate Skinner, University of Birmingham

The Children's Fight: The Centrality of Motherhood to Widowhood in Rural Sierra Leone

Catherine Bolten, University of Notre Dame

Discussant: Benjamin Lawrance, University of Arizona

OD-G-18 Women as Agents and Actors in Digital Media and Performing Arts

Chair: Dotun Ayobade, Brown University

Authority (of and in) Drama and Film on Female Genital Mutilation

Tobe Levin von Gleichen, Hutchins Center Harvard

Women's Talk in Ugochi Onyewu's F.I.E.R.C.E Igbo Women's Initiative Podcast: A Pragmatic Study

Ukachi Wachuku, Alvan Ikoku Federal College of Education

Facing the Music: AIDS, Struggle and Life after Fela Kuti

Dotun Ayobade, Brown University

OD-H-4 Challenging Settled Narratives: Disability Research and the Experience of Disability in Ghana

Chair: Jeff Grischow, Wilfrid Laurier University

Disrupting the Discourse: Using Disability Studies and Media in the Educational Curriculum in Africa

Sefakor Komabu-Pomeyie, University of Vermont

Rethinking Alliances and Contestations of Citizenship: Disabled People's Experiences with Cash Transfer Programs in Ghana

Chris-Mike, Stony Brook University

Methodological Challenges in Doing Mental Health Research in Ghanaian Cultural Communities

Magnus Mfoafo-M'Carthy, Wilfrid Laurier University

Blindness and Disability Rights in Ghana: Oral Histories and Leadership Narratives from the Ghana Society for the Blind and the Ghana Blind Association, 1960s-2019

Jeff Grischow, Wilfrid Laurier University

Discussant: Jonathan Reynolds, Northern Kentucky University

OD-H-6 Health, Disease and Environment

Chair: Madia Thomson, Independent Scholar

Community-based Healthcare Governance and Service Delivery: Chiefs and Rural Health Services in South-Western Nigeria, c. 1920 – c. the 1950

Adedamola Adetiba, Adekunle Ajasin University

Chikungunya and Dengue in the 1870s Indian Ocean World: Grappling with “Mistaken Identity” and Etiologic Confusion” in Durban, South Africa

Philip Rotz, Boston University

Livestock Diseases, the Environment, and History in Zimbabwe, 1890-1954

Francis Dube, Morgan State University

The Post-Independence Transformation of Maputo’s Central Hospital

David Morton, University of British Columbia

OD-I-18 A Multi-Sited Perspective on the History of Slavery: “Following the People Who Don’t Fit” within Histories of Enslavement and of the Post-Abolition Era

Chair: Asligul Berktagy, NYU Shanghai

Mousses and Mothers: Social Suffering and Death in the Atlantic’s Womb.

Ousmane Traore, Pomona College

I will not keep my wealth in people!: Going Against Slave Ownership in Nineteenth-Century Salvador

Asligul Berktagy, NYU Shanghai

Making Sense of the Colonial Abolition in the Context of Algerian Resistance against Colonialism

Yacine Daddi Addoun, The University of Kansas

Discussant: Chouki El-Hamel, Arizona State University

OD-I-19 African Penal Histories

Chair: Erin Braatz, Suffolk University Law School

Prisoner Amnesties in Postcolonial Uganda

Katherine Bruce-Lockhart, University of Waterloo

The Podor Affair: A Tale of Murder, Politics, and Execution in 1890s French Senegal

Dior Konate, South Carolina State University

Intersections of Fascist and Colonial Violence in Contemporary Literature of Equatorial Guinea

Anna Mester, University of Massachusetts Boston

Achake Selliatou Aibouko: Human Trafficker or Defamed Market Woman?

Jessica Reuther, Ball State University

Discussant: Erin Braatz, Suffolk University Law School

OD-I-20 Biographies and Ethnonyms from the Era of Trans-Atlantic Slavery

Chair: Henry Lovejoy, University of Colorado Boulder

"Of the tribe of the Foulahs;" Tracing Biographical Information on Liberated Africans entered into the Royal Navy

Suzanne Schwarz, University of Worcester, UK

Inside of the Households: The search for Liberated African children biographies through the analysis of the Apprenticeship system in Sierra Leone (1808-1864)

Erika Melek Delgado, King's College London

Enslavement on the Gold Coast in the Eighteenth Century: A Biographical Approach

Sean Kelley, University of Essex

Biographies of Yoruba Liberated African Missionaries of the Church Missionary Society in the Nineteenth Century

Leidy Alpizar-Alpizar, York University

Discussant: Paul E Lovejoy, York University

OD-I-21 Children, Youth, and Globalization

Chair: Lynne Stillings, The Graduate Center, CUNY

A Crisis of Childhood? The Contested Globalization of Children's Bodies in 1950s Kenya

Thomas Bouril, Syracuse University

African Aid, Child Evacuees, and Medical Research During the Nigeria-Biafra War

Bill Sharman, Duke University

Senegalese Childhood, Global Children's Rights: Sen P'tit Gallé and the Politics of Musical Participation

Lynne Stillings, The Graduate Center, CUNY

OD-I-23 The House in West African History

Chair: Sarah Balakrishnan, University of Virginia

The Incorporated Fabric of the Home in the Lagos Colony in 1913

Adedoyin Teriba, Vassar College

Sheltering the Protector: Material and Spiritual Transactions in the Construction of Shrines in Asante

Tony Yeboah, Yale University

The Household and the Boundary: Spatial Order During the Gold Coast Slave Trade

Sarah Balakrishnan, University of Virginia

The Lagos House

Mark Duerksen, Department of State

Discussant: Ato Quayson, Stanford University

OD-K-2 African Studies Review Keywords

Chair: Cajetan Iheka, Yale University

Refuge

Katie Luongo, Northeastern University

Youth

Abbey Youth, UNC Chapel Hill, Youth

Epistemology

Cheikh Thiam, School of International Training, Dakar

Pan-Africanism

Christopher Ouma, University of Cape Town

Discussant: Claudia Gastrow, University of Johannesburg

OD-K-3 Transregional African Studies

Chair: Tatiana Carayannis, SSRC

Jamie Monson, Michigan State University

Gilbert Khadiagala, University of Witwatersrand

Bob Wekesa, University of Witwatersrand

Ramatoulaye Diagne, University of Thies

Cyril Obi, SSRC

OD-L-9 Empathy and Trauma in African Literature

Chair: Joya Uraizee, Saint Louis University

"I AM JUMPING ON HER CHEST KPWUD KPWUD": PERVERTED INITIATION AND EDUCATION IN UZODINMA IWEALA'S BEASTS OF NO NATION

Cecilia Addei, University of Mines and Technology

Empathy and the Representation of Postcolonial African Conflict: Hisham Matar's In the Country of Men
Saumya Lal, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

The Power of Persistence: Aher Arop Bol's "The Lost Boy" and Sulaiman Addonia's "Silence is My Mother Tongue"

Joya Uraizee, Saint Louis University

"the one who leaves never returns ": Migration, Trauma and Construction of Madness in Tosin Gbogbi's the tongues of a shattered s-k-y and locomotifs & other songs

Daniel Oluwafemi, Technische Universität Chemnitz

OD-L-10 New Theoretical Approaches to African Literary Studies

Chair: Susanna Sacks, College of Wooster

The Invention of the Ancestors: The Portuguese in Rider Haggard's Narrative

Francesco Genovesi La Sapienza University of Rome

Poetics of Prosperity and Paucity: An Introduction to Postcolonial Economic Criticism

Daniel Chukwuemeka University of Bristol

Trash Children: Wasteful Futurity in Contemporary Malawian Literature

Susanna Sacks, College of Wooster

OD-M-3 Complicating Borders for Refugees and the Forcibly Displaced

Chair: Margaret Monyani, University of Witwatersrand

Refugees in the Great Lakes Region: challenges, power dynamics, durable solutions and possibilities

Julius Omona, Makerere University

Just Being Around? The Relationship between Nation State, Borders, and Refugees in Perspective

Margaret Monyani, University of Witwatersrand

Deconstructing Borders: Mobility Strategies of South-Sudanese Refugees in Northern Uganda

Sarah Vancluysen, University of Antwerp

Rebel Targeting of Refugee Camps in Africa

Beth Whitaker, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

OD-M-5 Seeking Something Different Through International Migration

Chair: Hewan Girma, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Migrate, Return, Repeat: An Insight into Ethiopian Circular Migration Movements

Hewan Girma, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Threshold Mobilities: Sub-saharan African Women Migrants in Morocco

Amber Scarborough, University of Illinois Urbana, Champaign

Ethnic Identity and Employment Seeking Behavior of Young Internal Migrants in Ghana

Joseph Assan, Brandeis University

African Diaspora in India: The ethics of living and survival strategies

Shambhavi Bhushan, University of Florida

How African citizens form international migration intentions

Justin Schon, University of Virginia

OD-M-6 African Music Documentary: Screenings and Conversations with Filmmakers

Chair: Scott Linford, University of Cincinnati

Kwasi Ampene, University of Michigan
Scott Linford, University of Cincinnati
Damascus Kafumbe, Middlebury College
Frank Gunderson, Florida State University

OD-M-7 Preservation and Exploration of Tradition

Chair: Brendan Kibbee, City University of New York

Jomion and the Uklos: Hwedo-Jazz and Vodun in the New African Diaspora in New York City
Sarah Politz, University of Florida

Islam, the Arts, and Urban Order: Modou Kara's Revolution Musicale in Dakar, Senegal
Brendan Kibbee, City University of New York

A Sonorous Philosophy of Swahili Culture: Musical Composition as Intellectual Practice in Mombasa
Andrew Eisenberg, NYU Abu Dhabi

OD-O-6 Addressing the Challenges of Conflicts, Nation-Statehood and Security in Africa: Rethinking Conventional Explanations and Strategies

Chair: Rashid Nur, Howard University

Daryl Jones, Howard University
Canice Enylaka, Howard University
Alem Hailu, Howard University
Yohannes Halle, Howard University

OD-O-7 Colonial Violence and Armed Struggle in Southern Africa

Chair: : Daniel Douek, McGill University

War In the Shadows: Umkhonto we Sizwe vs. UNITA in Angola, 1975-1989
Daniel Douek, McGill University

Fear of a Black International: African Liberation, the CIA, and Richard Gibson
Toivo Asheeke, Vassar College

The Unmourned Civil War: South Africa and the end of apartheid
Jacob Dlamini, Princeton University

Discussant: Allen Isaacman, University of Minnesota

OD-O-8 Problematics and Paradigms of Peacebuilding and Development

Chair: Mareike Schomerus, Busara Centre

A new paradigm for development after violent conflict

Mareike Schomerus, Busara Centre

Beware the magic crocodile: Chiefs and transformative peace in Malawi

Emily Maiden, University of North Florida

Questioning liberal Peacebuilding – Answer from a Civil-Peace-Service

Samantha Ruppel, Goethe University Frankfurt

Making Peace Safe for Civilians: Escalation and De-Escalation During Elite Negotiations in South Sudan

Sophia Dawkins, Yale University

OD-P-17 A New Agenda for Security Assistance and Human Rights

Chair: Carl LeVan, American University

Adotei Akwei, Amnesty International

Vanita Datta, U.S. Agency for International

Stephen Schwartz, State Department

Salih Booker, Center for International Policy

OD-P-18 African Worldmaking: New Frames in Global Engagement

Chair: Rita Kiki Edozie, University of Massachusetts Boston

Contested Transnational Justice Cascades: The ICC in Africa vs. the African RCC (Regional Criminal Court)

Rita Kiki Edozie, University of Massachusetts, Boston

African Intellectuals and Institutions and World Norm-Making: International Human Rights

Eunice Sahle, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Africa's Global Security Regionalism: Pushing Up from the Bottom Tier

Moses Khisa, North Carolina State University

Kwame Nkrumah, Decolonization, and Global IR Movements

Thomas Kwasi Tiekou, King's University College at Western University

Discussant: Michael Woldermariam, Boston University

Co-Discussant: Dennis Jjuuko, University of Massachusetts Boston

OD-P-20 Institutional Actors in African Development and Sovereignty

Chair: Anika Wilson, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Fractal Sovereignty in Sierra Leone

Susan Shepler, American University

"This is Cruelty at its best": Fluid interpretations of custom and violence in Malawian Courts

Anika Wilson, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Faith-Based Organizations and Region-Building in Africa
Okey Iheduru, Arizona State University

China and Japan's Higher Education Aid to Africa: Modalities, Motivations, and Outcomes
Mingru Li, Harvard University

OD-Q-16 African Political Economy: Long-Run Perspectives, Part I

Chair: Marlous van Waijenburg, University of Michigan

An African Marshall Plan? American Aid to Liberia, 1942-70
Leigh Gardner, London School of Economics

Historical Perspectives on Power Sector Reforms in Nigeria, 1909-1985
Damilola Adebayo, University of North Carolina Wilmington

The Political Economy of Growth in Beverage-Crop Economies in Independent Africa: Ghana and Kenya Compared, 1973-1983
Gareth Austin, Cambridge University,

Discussant: Paul Ocobock, University of Notre Dame

OD-Q-17 African Political Economy: Long-run Perspectives, Part II

Chair: Leigh Gardner, London School of Economics

When Women March: The 1929 Aba Women's Tax Revolt, Prisons and Political Participation in Nigeria
Belinda Archibong, Columbia University, Barnard College

Inequality in Sub-Saharan Africa from Pre-colonial times to the Present
Marlous van Waijenburg, University of Michigan

Postcoloniality in Historical Perspective: Europe, Overseas Empire and Globalization
Ralph Austen, University of Chicago

Discussant: Paul Ocobock, University of Notre Dame

OD-Q-19 Challenges of Power and Leadership Transition

Chair: Safia Farole, UCLA

Local Election Candidate Nominations and Ethnic Party Transformation in South Africa
Safia Farole, UCLA

Electoral Blind Spot in Africa
Takashi Nagatsuji (Waseda University)

The Power of Partisanship: Explaining variations in ruling party dominance
Paul Friesen, University of Notre Dame

OD-Q-20 Electoral Politics in Africa

Chair: Jaimie Bleck, Notre Dame

Who Votes with the Chief? Evaluating Traditional Authority in the Ghana-Togo Borderlands
Martha Wilfahrt, UC Berkeley

The generational-shift factor in Uganda's 2021 elections Opposition coordination in Uganda's 2021 election: new opportunities and old challenges
Moses Khisa, North Carolina State

Political Finance in Africa: What We Know and What We Don't
Rachel Sigman, Naval Postgraduate School

Democratic Resilience and State Capacity in Low Income Africa
Nicolas van de walle, Cornell University

Discussant: Nicholas Kerr, University of Florida

OD-Q-21 Let There Be Money: The Social, Financial, and Political Worlds of Zimbabwean Currencies

Chair: Jeremy Jones, College of the Holy Cross

Soldiering MONEY: In and outside Zimbabwe Barrack
Godfrey Maringira, Sol Plaatje University

The Moniness of Everyday Money: Currencies, enduring legacies and the post 2000 financial crisis in Zimbabwe
Tinashe Nyamunda, North West University, South Africa

"Access" to money and banking services during the crisis period in Zimbabwe, 2006 to 2009
Tapiwa Madimu, University of the Free State, South Africa

Weimar on the Mukuvisi: The Anatomy of Hyperinflationary Comparisons
Jeremy Jones, College of the Holy Cross,

Discussant: Jeremy Jones, College of the Holy Cross

OD-Q-22 Political Violence

Chair: Kristin McKie, St. Lawrence University

The Road to Post-war Authoritarianism: Violence and Divergent Regime Trajectories in Uganda and Rwanda
Gerald Bareebe, University of Toronto

Political Violence and National Identification in Cameroon
Joseph Lasky, Cornell University

Post-coup protest and its consequences
Sebastian Elischer, University of Florida

Markets and Violence in Nigeria: How Market Associations Condition Exposure to Electoral Violence
Andrew Miller, MIT

OD-Q-23 Political, Institutional, and Diplomatic Development in Ghana

Chair: Janet Kwami, Furman University

No Lowering of Standards: the failures within the creation of the Ghanaian bureaucracy
Osei Boakye, Stanford University

'Soft Power' and the Impact of the Bui Hydropower dam on China – Ghana Relationship
Kwame Adovor Tsikudo, University of Illinois

Informational Rents and Programmatic Policies
Jeremy Bowles, Harvard University

OD-Q-24 Understanding the Congolese State

Chair: Jason Stearns, Simon Fraser University

When grievance begets violence: State legitimacy and the Kamuina Nsapu rebellion
Joshua Walker, New York University

The Involved State: The Congolese state, its interests, and armed conflict
Jason Stearns, Simon Fraser

Government outsourced: State-mimicking, violent subcontracting and proxy wars in eastern Congo
Christoph Vogel, Ghent University

Congo, the proto-state: A theoretical discussion of state dysfunction in the DR Congo
Nissé Mughendi, Université du Gabon

Discussant: Kristof Titeca, University of Antwerp

OD-Q-25 Year II of Félix-Antoine Tshisekedi's Presidency, Diverse Perspectives

Chair: Kasongo Kapanga, University of Richmond

Co-Chair: Ngwarsungu Chiwengo, Creighton University

Georges Nzongola-Ntalaja, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Aliko Songolo, University of Wisconsin, Madison

Roger Alfani, Seton Hall University

Kasereka Kasomo, The Claremont Graduate University

Muadi Mukenge, Congolese Studies Association

Emmanuel Sekiyoba, University of Southern Mississippi

OD-R-8 Influencers of Past and Present

Chair: Abayomi Ola, Spelman College

POSTPROVERBIALS: IDENTITY FORMATION AND SELF-FASHIONING IN FUJI MUSIC

Stephen Boluwaduro, University of Ibadan

“The Bones Keep Rising’: The Enduring and Evolving Presence of Nehanda Nyakasikana in Zimbabwean Popular Culture”

Shingi Mavima, University of Toledo

Newspaper Framing and Public Perception of China's Trade Investment in Nigeria

Victor C. Eze, University of Ibadan

Gender, Power and Parody in the Anglophone West African Newspapers (1950-70)

Abayomi Ola, Spelman College

OD-U-2 Decolonizing Africana Sociologies

Chair: Assata Zerai, University of New Mexico

Co-Chair: Biko Agozino, Virginia Tech

‘The Third Paradigm in Cultural Studies: The Africana Paradigm’

Biko Agozino, Virginia Tech

Teaching Urban Rebellions as Pedagogy for an Anti-Racist Praxis

Ken Salo, University of Illinois

Radical black feminism, scholar-activism, and the decolonial research methodology

Assata Zerai, University of New Mexico

Social difference and individual agency in the school-to-work transitions of Ghanaian tertiary graduates

Nana Akua Anyidoho, University of Ghana

Discussant: Jerry Dibua, Morgan State University

OD-U-3 Decolonizing Africana Sociology of Literature

Chair: Biko Agozino, Virginia Tech

Black Speculative Fiction as a Praxis of Moten’s “Nothingness”: Visions, Hallucinations, and Other Unpackings of Material Freedoms

Paige Grant, University of Toronto

Circles of Belonging

Obinkaram Echewa, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

The Autobiography of Nne Nne

Obinkaram Echewa, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

Discussant: Biko Agozino, Virginia Tech

OD-V-15 African Academic Diasporas and Higher Education in Africa: Towards Consolidation and Sustainability

Chair: Samuel Ojo Oloruntoba, Carleton University

L. Pauline Rankin, Carleton University
Abdoulaye Gueye, University of Ottawa
Mary Setrana, University of Ghana
Wangui Kimari, University of Cape Town

OD-V-16 Fulbright U.S. Scholar Opportunities in Africa

Chair: Kimberly Williams, Institute of International Education

Gretchen Bauer, Institute of International Education
Amy Forss, Institute of International Education
Kimberly Williams, Institute of International Education

OD-V-17 Interdisciplinary Approaches to Rwandan Culture, Society and History

Chair: Alison MacAulay, University of Toronto

Rwandan Oral Storytelling Through Graphic Novels

Jerome Irankunda, University of Tourism, Technology, and Business Studies

"Commune" archives in Rwanda and the study of the genocide against the Tutsi

Philibert Gakwenzire, University of Rwanda

Mourning Practices in Traditional Rwandan Culture and Implications for Genocide Memory

Samantha Lakin, Clark University

Intore as Cultural Icon: Filming Practices in Colonial Rwanda

Alison MacAulay, University of Toronto

OD-V-18 Re-Visiting the 2014 African Studies Association Conference in Indianapolis: Strategies Used to Enhance Participation of the African Diaspora

Chair: Bessie House Soremekun, JSU

Adrianna Midamba, United States Agency for International Development
Vimal Patel, Hindu University of America
John Loflin, Vorcreatex Foundation
Ernest Berry, Alabama African American History Association
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