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**Africa Workshops**



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*This year, 16 Africa Workshop alumni (including participants and co-leaders) will be facilitating a panel discussion or presenting their research at the Africa Studies Association's Annual Meeting. Additionally, Aili Tripp (2010 Africa Workshop co-leader) is the current President of ASA and will deliver this year's Presidential Lecture. See below for more information:*

**Thursday**

**Thursday, Nov 29, 4:30 PM**

IV--D--4 Roundtable: Teaching African Politics

- Fridy, Kevin, University of Tampa (2009 co-leader)
- Bowman, Warigia, University of Arkansas (2011 participant)

IV--H--11 Challenges of Policy Reform: Case Studies

- Discussant: Hoon, Parakh, Virginia Tech (2012 co-leader)

**Friday**

**Friday, Nov 30, 8:30 AM**

V--N--21 From the Voting Booth to a Better Life: Exploring the Linkages Between Democracy and Improved Policy Outcomes

- Azizou, Chabi Imorou, Institute for Empirical Research in Political Economy, Benin (2008 participant)  
*Ethnic Identity and Citizen Oversight of Local Governance in Benin*

V--R--26 Institutions and Democracy

- Kivuva, Joshua, University of Nairobi (2011 participant)  
*Tensions of Democratic Transition in Africa: A Comparative Study of Kenya, Uganda and Zambia*

V--O--24 State-Society Dynamics of Insurgency

- Chair: LeVan, Carl, American University (2011 co-leader)

**Friday, Nov 30, 10:30 AM**

VI--D--4 Staying in Power by Elections

- Smith, Daniel A., University of Florida (2009 co-leader)  
*Explaining Rejected Ballots in Ghana*

**Friday, Nov 30, 12:30 PM**

Presidential Lecture: "Gender, Power and Women's Rights in Post-conflict Africa"

- Aili Tripp, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2010 co-leader)

**Friday, Nov 30, 4:30 PM**

VIII--H--12 Local Collective Action in Africa

- Chair: Hoon, Parakh, Virginia Tech, (2012 co-leader)  
*Revisiting Theories of African Political and Economic Development and Botswana's Miracle*

**Saturday**

**Saturday, Dec 1, 8:30 AM**

IX--G--10 Education and Citizenship in Africa

- Chair: MacLean, Lauren, Indiana University-Bloomington, (2012 co-leader)  
*Local-level Energy Provision and Long-Term Development Outcomes for Education and Citizenship in Kenya*
- Bleck, Jaimie, University of Notre Dame, (2009 participant)  
*Transmitting Citizenship: Radio and Political Information in Rural Mali*

IX--O--24 When Democracy Disappoints: Reconsidering the Origins of Political Instability and Policy Failure

- LeVan, Carl and Eisenstadt, Todd, American University (2011 co-leaders)  
*Between Parchment and Practice: The Impact of Constitutional Changes Since 1990*

**Saturday, Dec 1, 10:30 AM**

X--M--23 Theorizing Grassroots Women's Activism (Part II)

- Kang, Alice, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (2010 participant)  
*Theorizing Women's Activism in Africa: The Roles of Gender and Political Institutions*

**Saturday, Dec 1, 2:30 PM**

XI--H--14 In Search for Good Governance: Information, Civic Engagement and Artificial Borders

- Michelitch, Kristin, New York University (2009 participant)  
*Good Morning Timbuktu! The Impact of Radio in Rural Islamic Africa*

XI--O--29 Comparative Lessons in Post-Conflict Politics

- Vanderpoel, Rachel, Northwestern University (2011 participant)  
*Beyond Disorder: Civilian-Insurgent Bargains in Wartime Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo*

**Saturday, Sep 1, 2:00 PM**

XII--M--26 Some Impacts of Women's Increasing Political Leadership in Africa

- Chair: Kang, Alice, University of Nebraska (2010 participant)
- Bauer, Gretchen, University of Delaware (2010 co-leader)  
*Women Chiefs in Botswana as Symbolic Representation Effect of More Women in Politics*

XII--O--30 Post-Conflict Politics in Côte d'Ivoire

- Discussant: Boone, Catherine, University of Texas (2008 co-leader)

XII--O--31 International Institutions and African Interventions

- Chair: Asante, Richard, University of Ghana-Legon (2011 participant)  
*An Inquiry into the Problem of Trust in Africa?*