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**Alumni at the ASA Annual Meeting
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This year, twenty-six Africa Workshop alumni (including participants and co-leaders) have been selected to present their research, chair a panel, and/or participate in a roundtable discussion at the African Studies Association's Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana. See below for more information:

Thursday – 11/20/2014

I-O-1 Religion and Democracy in Africa: New Directions in Research; 8:00 AM

Religion, Education and Political Participation in Sub-Saharan Africa

Melina Platas Izama, Stanford University (2013)

Regime Insiders and Presidential Turnover in Senegal

Catherine Kelly, Harvard University (2013)

II-E-1 Political Violence in the Niger Delta; 10:00 AM

Tackling the Vicious Circle: Oil, Poverty and Insecurity in the Oil-Bearing Areas of Niger Delta

Abosede Omowumi Babatunde, University of Ilorin - Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies (2012)

II-S-1 Gender Politics in Contemporary Africa; 10:00 AM

The Rise of Women Chief Justices in Africa

Alice Kang, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (2010)

II-U-2 New Media of Violence: Techniques of Menace and Peace; 10:00 AM

Elections and Technology in the Kenyan General Election of 2013

Warigia Margaret Bowman, University of Arkansas at Little Rock - Clinton School of Public Service (2011)

II-B-1 Deliberating Rights, Religion, and Resources in South Africa; 10:00 AM

Uneasy Alliances: Traditional Leaders and the Promotion of Women's Rights in Namibia

Taylor Price, University of Wisconsin – Madison (2010)

III-A-1 Survival Strategies of the Disempowered; 2:45 PM

Discussant: Aili Tripp, University of Wisconsin – Madison (2010)

III-E-3 Elite Strategies and Communal Conflict; 2:45 PM

Kenya's New Constitution Without Constitutionalism: The Challenge of Reform and Implementation by Non-Reformers; Westen Silaho, University of Johannesburg (2011)

Rethinking State-Led Peace-Building: An Assessment of the Efficacy of Judicial Commissions of Inquiry in Select Protracted Conflicts in Nigeria; Fatai Aremu, University of Ilorin, Nigeria (2012)

III-S-1 Ethnicity and the Politics of Difference; 2:45 PM

The Politics of Allocation: The Salience of Ethnicity and Kenya's Constituency Development Fund

Kirk Harris, Indiana University, Bloomington (2012)

Friday – 11/21/2014

V-E-2 Violence and the Nigerian State; 8:00 AM

Youth, Social Alienation and Violence in Northern Nigeria
Abubakar Abdullahi, Usmanu Danfodiyo University (2014)

V-S-1 Secularism, Religious Revitalization, and Contested Public Space in Contemporary Ethiopia; 8:00 AM

Discussant: Leonardo Villalon, University of Florida (2013)

VI-F-1 Contested Terrain: Violent Confrontations over Land in Tanzania; 10:00 AM

Land Tenure Regimes and the Structure of Land-Related Conflict: Contrasting Cases from Ghana and Tanzania
Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008)

VIII-K-3 Policing the Boundaries of Sex and Sexuality in Africa; 4:45 PM

Negotiating and Policing Sex and Sexuality in Africa: Cases of Yan Daudu and Karuwai in Northern Nigeria
Josiah Olubowale, University of the West Indies-Saint Augustine (2011)

VIII-S-1 Roundtable: New Directions in African Party Research; 4:45 PM

Anne M. Pitcher, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor (2014)

VIII-S-2 Trends and Adaptation among Civil Society Organizations in East Africa; 4:45 PM

Foreign Aid, Ngos and the Private Sector: New Forms of Hybridity in Renewable Energy Provision in East Africa
Lauren Morris MacLean, Indiana University (2012)

Saturday – 11/22/2014

IX-E-4 Roundtable: U.S. and other Foreign Interventions/Assistance in Situations of Turbulence and Violence in Africa; 8:00 AM

Carl LeVan, American University - School of International Service (2011)

IX-K-2 Framing the Body, Fertility, and Sexuality in Africa; 8:00 AM

Fertility and Ritual Transactions in Oriawoko Oko, Ibadan, Yorubaland
Josiah Olubowale, University of the West Indies-Saint Augustine (2011)

X-Q-1 African Wildlife in the Crossfire: Rethinking Conservation Violence, Reconstruction, and Reconciliation; 10:00 AM

The Rise and Demise of Big Game Hunting in Botswana (1950-2013)
Parakh Hoon, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (2012)

XI-D-1 Ghana from Crises to Stability: Demands for Accountability; 2:45 PM

Witch-Hunting or Accountability?: A Study of Commissions of Inquiry in Ghana, 1960s to Present
George-Bob Milliar, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (2012)

The Everyday Practice of Accountability in Urban Ghana

Jeffrey W. Paller, University of Wisconsin – Madison (2012)

XI-S-3 Same Sex Politics in Africa; 2:45 PM

Same-Sex Politics and Public Opinion in Contemporary Malawi
Boniface Dulani, University of Malawi (2013)

Discussant: SN Nyeck, Clarkson University (2009)

XI-S-4 The Spatial Politics of Public Goods Targeting in Africa: Ethnicity, Electricity and Elections; 2:45 PM

Power to the People: The Electoral Targeting of Electricity in Ghana

Ryan C. Briggs, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (2011)

XII-R-1 Ghana: Public Goods, Bureaucrats, and Poverty; 4:45 PM

Competing Measures of Poverty: Results from a Panel Survey from Northern Ghana

Kevin Fridy, University of Tampa (2009)

XII-R-3 The Legacy of the Past and Today's Politics; 4:45 PM

Plus ça Change: An Examination of Legal Codes in French West Africa

Ryan C. Briggs, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (2011)

Parallel Institutionalism and the Future of Representation in Nigeria

Carl LeVan, American University - School of International Service (2011)

When and Where Does History Matter? Patterns of Village Public Goods Investments in Senegal, 1880-2012

Martha Wilfahrt, Cornell University (2012)

XII-U-2 The African Academic Diaspora at the 2015 African Higher Education Summit Part II; 4:45 PM

Leonard Wantchekon, Princeton University (2008)