



American Political Science Association Africa Workshops



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This year, 34 Africa Workshop alumni (including participants and co-leaders) have been invited to present their research, participate in a roundtable discussion, and/or serve as a discussant at the African Studies Association's Annual Meeting in San Diego, California. See below for more information:

Thursday – 11/19/2015

I-J-1 Politics In and About Africa: Experimental Investigations

- *Americans' Response to the Ebola Outbreak*; Melina Platas, Stanford University (2013)
- *Discussant*: Keith Weghorst, University of Florida (2009)

I-L-3 Rituals in Africa and the African Diaspora

- *The Citizenship of Death: Oriša Funeral Rituals in Trinidad*; Josiah Opeyemi Olubowale, University of the West Indies (2011)

II-G-1 Discourses and Critiques of Development in Africa

- *Citizen Evaluations of Local Public Goods Investments: Micro-Evidence from Senegal*; Martha Wilfahrt, Cornell University (2012)

II-J-4 The Devolution of Power and Property in Africa

- *Subnational Boundaries and Political Territory in Africa*; Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008)

II-L-1 Islam, Society and Politics in Senegambia

- *Sufi Turuq and the Politics of Democratization in Senegal*; Catherine Lena Kelly, Washington University in Saint Louis (2013)

III-J-1 Courts, Constitutions and Justice

- *Constitution-Making from Below: Causes, Legacies, and Comparative Perspectives*; Carl LeVan, American University (2011) and Todd Eisenstadt, American University (2011)

III-J-2 Explaining Electoral Violence and Non-Violence

- *Uncertainty, Elite Politicization, and Ethnic Clashes: Explaining Patterns of Electoral Violence in Kenya (1991-2013)*; Aditi Malik, Northwestern University (2015)

III-N-1 Beyond Schools: Education for Social Answers

- *Empowering Rural Women Through Functional Literacy in Ghana: The Experiences of Selected Women Groups in Nadowli District*; Felicia Safoa Odame, University for Development Studies (2012)

IV-Q-2 Gender and the Judiciary in Africa: From Obscurity to Parity?

- *The Rise and Impact of Women Judges in Benin*; Alice Kang, University of Nebraska at Lincoln (2010)
- *Gender and the Judiciary in Africa: An Overview*; Gretchen Bauer, University of Delaware (2010)

Friday – 11/20/2015

V-J-3 Political Determinants of Demand and Supply of Public Service Delivery

- *Who is Democracy Good for? African Elections and Rural Bias in Basic Service Provision*; Robin Harding, University of Rochester (2008)

V-J-6 The Political Economy of Uganda and Rwanda

- *Discussant*: Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008)

V-J-7 Roundtable: The Methods and the Madness: Lessons on Survey Research after 6 Rounds of the Afrobarometer

- Boniface Dulani, University of Malawi (2013)

V-P-1 The Resurgence of Growth in Africa: Understanding the Trajectory and Exploring its Determinants

- *The State and Capitalist Land Acquisitions in Africa: the Political-Economic Dynamics and Significance of the Articulation of Rural-Ghana with the Global Economy*; Jasper Ayelazuno, University of Development Studies (2009)

V-Q-1 Contextualizing African Women's Inroads into State Processes

- *In While Out: Interrogating the Substance and Modalities of Women Cabinet Ministers Representation of Women in Sub-Saharan Africa*; Chiedo Nwankwor, University of Delaware (2014)

VI-B-1 Non-State Actors and Contemporary Political Development in Sub-Saharan States

- *Citizen-State Interactions: Political Information and Voter Behavior*; Melina Platas, Stanford University (2013)

VI-J-4 Roundtable: What Next? The Impact and Future Directions of Survey Research after 6 Rounds of the Afrobarometer

- Leonard Wantchekon, Princeton University (2008)

VII-B-1 Author Meets Critic: Citizen and Subject: A Retrospective

- Lungisile Ntsebeza Sr., University of Cape Town (2012)

VII-F-1 Critical Discourse Analysis and African Conflicts

- *Different "Uses of Nyerere" in the Constitutional Review Debates: A Touchstone for Legitimacy in Tanzania*; Aikande Kwayu, University of Oxford (2013)

VII-H-5 Author Meets Critic: Dams, Displacement, and the Delusion of Development: An Assessment

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

VII-Q-1 Queering the Transnational: Sex/Gender Diversity as a Global Process

- *How the US is Not Evolving Toward Africa: Critical Estrangement in USAID New Global LGBT Development Public-Private Partnerships*; SN Nyeck, Clarkson University (2009)

VII-S-3 Roundtable: Gender and Peace-building in Africa

- Peace Medie, Legon Center for International Affairs and Diplomacy (2010)

VIII-F-1 Africa in Global Glottopolitics

- *Discussant*: Aikande Kwayu, University of Oxford (2013)

VIII-J-1 Elections, Candidates, and Africa's Voters

- *Opposition Candidacy and Campaigns in Electoral Authoritarian Regimes*; Keith Richard Weghorst, University of Florida (2009)

VIII-J-5 Understanding Bureaucratic Variation across Africa

- *The Effects of Party Politics on Ghana's Bureaucracy: Evidence from a New Large-Scale Survey*; Rachel Sigman, Syracuse University (2014)

VIII-Q-1 Governing Sexuality: Debating the National and Transnational Questions

- *"My Dress My Choice:" the State and the Dress Code in Contemporary Africa*; Henry Kam Kah, University of Buea (2009)

VIII-Q-2 Up Against Giants: Responses to Large Scale Land Acquisitions in Africa

- *Local Resistance Against Large Scale Land Acquisitions in Cameroon: Fortunes and Misfortunes of Non-Governmental Organizations*; Lotsmart Fonjong, University of Buea (2010)
- *Between a Rock and a Hard Place: Ghanaian Citizens' Failed Attempts at Confronting Large Scale Land Investors*; Peace Medie, University of Ghana - Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy (2010)
- *Discussant*: Maame Gyekye-Jandoh, University of Ghana (2009)

VIII-S-1 Leadership, Security and Society in Africa

- *Discussant*: Sybille Nyeck, Clarkson University (2009)

Saturday – 11/21/2015

IX-J-3 Roundtable: Islam and Politics in the Contemporary Sahel

- Leonardo Villalon, University of Florida (2013)

IX-J-6 Power, Patronage and Political Elite Accumulation in Southern African States Part I

- *The Partisan Origins of Elite Accumulation in Mozambique*; Anne M. Pitcher, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor (2014)

IX-J-7 Vote Choice and Its Antecedents

- *Explaining Party Attachments Across African Democracies*; Kristin G Michelitch, Vanderbilt University (2009)
- *Discussant*: Melina Platas, Stanford University (2013)

IX-S-2 Roundtable: How to Study Africa: The Opportunities and Dangers of New Research Methods

- Leonard Wantchekon, Princeton University (2008)

X-J-7 The Politics of Public Service Provision, National Identity, and Citizenship

- *Faith-Based Universities in Nigeria and the Consequences for Democratic Citizenship*; Fatai Aremu, National Institute for Legislative Studies (2012)
- *The Construction of Citizenship and the Public Provision of Electricity During the 2014 World Cup in Ghana*; Lauren Morris MacLean, Indiana University (2012) and George Bob-Milliar, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (2012)

XI-A-1 Migration, Mobility, and Belonging in Ghana and Abroad

- *In Search of a "Homeland" in Africa: The Politics of Diasporans' Resettlement Efforts in Ghana*; George Bob-Milliar, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (2012)

XII-B-1 New Directions in Studying African Elections

- *Estimating Manipulation in Authoritarian Elections: Survey-Based Methods in Zimbabwe*; Boniface Dulani, University of Malawi (2013)

XII-J-3 Re-thinking Political Mobilization and Authority Across Africa

- *Chiefs, Preachers, and "Macho-Men:" Strategies of Political Mobilization in Urban Ghana*; Jeffrey W. Paller, Columbia University (2012) and Kathleen Klaus, Northwestern University (2015)

XII-O-2 Tanzanian Environmental Policy and Politics

- *Growing Farmer-Herder Conflicts in Tanzania: Climate Change or Unequal Power Relations Over Access to Resources?*; William John, University of Dar es Salaam (2015)
- *Tanzania's New Constitutional Protection of Land Tenure and the Environment: a Reflection of the Participatory Process or Political Greenwashing?*; William John, University of Dar es Salaam (2015)

XII-S-1 The Politics of Elections

- *Counting on Contestation: Explaining Opposition Risk and Performance in Nigeria's 2015 Elections*; Carl LeVan, American University (2011)

XII-I-1 Author Meets Critic: Land, Mobility and Belonging: An Assessment

- Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008)