



African-German Research Network

FOR TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Conference

Transitional Justice in Sub-Saharan Africa

Berlin, 20th – 24th November 2019

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin



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20th – 24th November 2019 Berlin, Germany

20th November 2019: Arrival Day

All day Arrival of participants

19:00 Welcome Dinner at L'Osteria Alexanderplatz (Memhardstraße 3, 10178 Berlin)

21st November 2019: Conference Day 1

Conference Venue:

Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften

Jägerstraße 22/23, 10117 Berlin

09:30 Registration

10:00 – 10.30 Opening of the Conference

Opening Remarks: *Prof. Dr. Gerhard Werle*

Welcome Address: *Prof. Dr. Martin Heger* (Dean of the Law Faculty)

Welcome Address: *Representative of the DAAD (tba)*

10:30 – 11:30 Panel 1/I: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in Ethiopia – Chair: Prof. Dr. Florian Jeßberger

- *Dr. Marshet Tadesse Tessema:* Confronting Past Gross Human Rights Violations in Ethiopia: Taking Stock of the Peace and Reconciliation Commission
- *Tamene Ena Heliso:* A Critical Appraisal of the Ethiopian Peace and Reconciliation Commission
- *Dr. Hannah Woolaver:* Comment

11:30 – 11:50 Coffee Break

11:50 – 12:30 Panel 1/II: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in Ethiopia - Discussion

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch Break at Fontana di Trevi (Leipziger Straße 56, 10117 Berlin)

14:00 – 15:30 Panel 2: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in South Sudan – Chair: Prof. Dr. Moritz Vormbaum

- *Chiwala Chipeta:* The Rugged Path to Tranquility and Peace: Critically Assessing South Sudan's Proposed Transitional Justice Mechanisms
- *Taban Romano:* The Fate of South Sudan Transitional Justice
- Discussion

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break



- 16:00 – 17:30** **Panel 3: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in Uganda – Chair: Dr. Hannah Woolaver**
- *Dr. Michael Mukwana*: Amnesty on Trial: Analysis of the Courts Jurisprudence on Thomas Kwoyelo's Amnesty Application (Uganda)
 - *Brenda Nanyunja*: Victimisation and Challenges to Integration: Transitional Justice Response to Children Born of War in Northern Uganda
 - Discussion
- 17:30** **Wrap up**
- 19:00** **Dinner at Maximilians** (Friedrichstraße 185-190, 10117 Berlin)

22nd November 2019: Conference Day 2

Conference Venue:

Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften
Jägerstraße 22/23, 10117 Berlin

- 9:30 – 11:00** **Panel 4: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in Zimbabwe – Chair: Dr. Marshet Tadesse Tessema (tbc)**
- *Annet Matebwe*: The Impact of Social Media on Transitional Justice: Zimbabwean Case Study
 - *Sheilla Maribha*: Is Transitional Justice in Zimbabwe a Charade? A Review of the National Peace and Reconciliation Commission
 - Discussion
- 11:00 – 11:30** **Coffee Break**
- 11:30 – 13:00** **Panel 5: Case Studies on Completed Situations – Chair: Prof. Dr. Gerhard Kemp (tbc)**
- *Dr. Marian Yankson*: Transitional Justice and Constitutionalism: The Case of Ghana
 - *Dr. Windell Nortje*: The Non-Prosecution of Apartheid Criminals in South Africa: A Critical Analysis of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Recommendations
 - Discussion
- 13:00 – 14:30** **Lunch Break at Cum Laude** (Platz der Märzrevolution, 10117 Berlin)



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- 14:30 – 15:30** **Panel 6/I: Transitional Justice Policies – Chair: Dr. Marian Yankson (tbc)**
- *Dr. Juliet Okoth*: An Overview of the African Union Draft Transitional Justice Policy Framework with Focus on the Criminal Justice Initiatives
 - *Dr. Prosper Maguchu*: Modelling Transitional Justice in Africa through Policies: A Comparative Analysis of the AU and EU Transitional Justice Policies
 - *Donnet Rose Odhiambo*: The Enigma of Transitional Justice in Africa: Accessing the AU's Commitment to Promote Accountability, Achieve Sustainable Peace and Foster Reconciliation
- 15:30 – 16:00** **Coffee Break**
- 16:00 – 17:00** **Panel 6/II: Transitional Justice Policies – Discussion**
- 17:00** **Wrap up**
- 19:00** **Dinner at Via Nova** (Universitätsstraße 2, 10117 Berlin)

23rd November 2019: Conference Day 3

Conference Venue:

Law Faculty, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (Room tba)

Unter den Linden 6, 10099 Berlin

- 10:00 – 12:00** **Panel 7: Transitional Justice and Economics – Chair: Dr. Juliet Okoth (tbc)**
- *Nelly Kamunde*: Transitional Justice in Africa: Assessing the Role of Corporations
 - *Sarah Mutseo Ngachi*: Truth Commissions and Investigation Economic Crimes: A Case Study of the Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Commission in Kenya
 - *Victoria Ojo/ Nicksoni Filbert*: Too Much of a Good Thing: When Transitional Justice Prescriptions Fail to Work
 - Discussion
- 12:00 – 13:00** **Closing Remarks**
- 13:00** **Lunch Break**
- 14:00 – 17:00** **Meeting of the Directors and the Advisory Board of the African-German Research Network for Transnational Criminal Justice**
- Time for Library Studies**
- 18:30** **Dinner (tba)**

24th November 2019: Departure Day