



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

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

11:30 – 11:50 Coffee Break

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

12:50 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:30 Panel 2: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in South Sudan – Chair: Nicksoni Filbert

- *Taban Romano*: The Fate of South Sudan Transitional Justice
- *Prof. Dr. Moritz Vormbaum*: Comment
- 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

9:00 – 11:00 **Panel 4: Case Studies: Transitional Justice in Zimbabwe – Chair: Dr. Marshet Tadesse Tessema**

- *Felisters Francisco*: Dealing with Past Human Rights Violations in Post Robert Mugabe Zimbabwe
- *Sheilla Maribha*: Is Transitional Justice in Zimbabwe a Charade? A Review of the National Peace and Reconciliation Commission
- *Annet Matebwe*: The Impact of Social Media on Transitional Justice: Zimbabwean Case Study
- Discussion

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 13:00 **Panel 5: Case Studies on Completed Situations – Chair: Prof. Dr. Gerhard Kemp**

- *Dr. Windell Nortje*: The Non-Prosecution of Apartheid Criminals in South Africa: A Critical Analysis of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Recommendations
- *Dr. Marian Yankson*: Transitional Justice and Constitutionalism: The Case of Ghana
- Discussion

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch Break**



14:30 – 15:30 Panel 6/I: Transitional Justice Policies – Chair: Dr. Marian Yankson (tbc)

- *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
- *Dr. Juliet Okoth*: An Overview of the African Union Draft Transitional Justice Policy Framework with Focus on the Criminal Justice Initiatives

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 140/142)

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 at L'Osteria Alexanderplatz (Memhardstraße 3, 10178 Berlin)

24th November 2019: Departure Day