



9th International South Sudan and Sudan Studies Conference

Identity, Economy, Power Relations and External Interests:
Old and New Challenges for Sudan and South Sudan

Venue:

Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn, Regina Pacis-Weg 3,
Halls 1, 7, 8, 9

Date:

23.-25. July 2012

Day 1, 23 July 2012
"Identity"

9:30	Hall 1	Opening of the Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peter J. Croll (Director, BICC)• Jürgen von Hagen (Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn)• Elke Grawert (BICC) Keynote Speech <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Magdi El-Gizouli (Ahfad University for Women, Omdurman, Sudan)
11:00		Tea break
11:30		Plenary Session A New History for a New Nation: the search for South Sudan's usable past Douglas H. Johnson (Sudan Studies Society UK; Oxford, United Kingdom), (discussant: tba)
12:30		Lunch break

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14:00		<p>Panel I: 'New Citizenship' (chair: Abdullahi A. Gallab)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making and marking citizenship in South Sudan. Nicki Kindersley (Durham University, United Kingdom)• Gendered citizenship and the concepts of the 'foreigner' in post-colonial South Sudan. Lyn Ossome (Pretoria, South Africa)• Building the New Nation: An analysis of symbols used to promote national identity in South Sudan. Aleksi Ylönen (Peace Research Institute Frankfurt – PRIF, Germany)
	Hall 7	<p>Panel II: 'Language'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The plural formation in Nobiin. Mohamed Khidir Khalil Hassan (Nubian Language Society, Khartoum, Sudan)• The so-called present tense in Andaandi-Dongolawi. Angelika Jakobi (Cologne University, Germany)• The season of Tuubar in Dongolawi and Kenzi Proverbs. Marcus Jaeger (Cologne University, Germany)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel III: 'South Sudan and the Neighbors (1)'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Most important friend, second most important border. Immo Eulenberger (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germany)• South Sudan's place in the neighborhood. Nel Hodge (Journalist, Surrey, United Kingdom)• We want to do business with our East African "brothers": oil in South Sudan, regional transport infrastructure, new oil actors, and its cross-country impacts. George Katete (University of Bremen, Germany)
15:30		Tea break

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16:00	Hall 1	<p>Panel IV: 'New Identities' (chair: Irma Taddia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "We Lost Part of Ourselves": Sudanese voices on the separation of South Sudan. Margaret Otto (MA Peace Studies, Berlin, Germany) • Acts of defiance as an expression of obedience: relations of power and questions of identity amongst university students and youth associations in South Sudan. Zoe Cormack (Durham University, United Kingdom) and Naomi Pendle (University of Bristol, United Kingdom) • We—the "Sudanese"—have not been liberated yet. Abdullahi A. Gallab (Arizona State University, Metro Phoenix, USA)
	Hall 7	<p>Panel V: 'New Historiographies' (chair: Douglas Johnson)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "We are the history"—biographic narration and historical consciousness. Loes Lijnders (Leiden University, the Netherlands) • A cartographic history of Sudan. Richard A. Lobban Jr. (Rhode Island College and Sudan Studies Association, USA) • Stagecraft and nation-building: creating a heroic narrative for an independent South Sudan. Carol Berger (Bristol University, United Kingdom)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel VI: 'South Sudan, Sudan and International Actors'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Sudan, Sudan and the East African Community: potential of enhanced relationships. Dirk Hansohm (Ministry of the East African Community, Nairobi, Kenya) • International aid to the Republic of South Sudan: commitments, rhetoric and evidence. Michael Medley (Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand) • US-Chinese policies and the break-up of the Sudan. Lako Tongun (Pitzer College and Claremont College, Canada and USA)
18:30- 22:00		<p>Reception at Deutsche Welle, Kurt-Schumacher-Straße 3, 53113 Bonn With presentation of the DW Africa Programs and DW Academy dinner buffet and interviews</p>

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Day 2, 24 July 2012
"Economy and External Interests"

9:00	Hall 1	Plenary Session Towards a Strategic Framework for Economic Cooperation between Sudan and South Sudan Karl Wohlmuth (University of Bremen, Germany), N.N. (discussant)
10:00		Tea break
10:30		Panel I: 'Economic Development of the Border States in Sudan and South Sudan' (chair: Karl Wohlmuth) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development in the borderlands: prospects in Blue Nile and Western Bahr el Ghazal. Abubakr I.M. Hussein (Development Studies Research Institute, University of Khartoum, Sudan) • Shared social values for economic cooperation between the bordering states in Sudan and South Sudan. Buthaina Ahmed Elnaiem (University of Juba/Bahri, Khartoum, Sudan) • Oil politics of the Sudan: How relevant were the technical arguments for the location of the oil refinery in Kosti. Mom Kou Nhial Arou (University of Juba, South Sudan)
	Hall 7	Panel II: 'Land Issues' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land, economy and identity in Darfur: a new approach to understanding the dynamics of conflict. Anne Bartlett (University of San Francisco, USA) • From illegal squatter settlement towards legal shantytowns: negotiations of power and responsibilities in Khartoum shantytowns. Mohamed A.G. Bakhit (University of Bayreuth, Germany) • Land issues in an urbanizing environment: Torit in South Sudan. Timm Sureau (PhD student, Martin Luther University, Halle Saale, Germany)
12:00		Lunch Break

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13:30	Hall 1	<p>Panel III: 'Fiscal and Investment Issues' (chair: Aly Verjee)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiscal decentralization in South Sudan federalism. Asha Abdel Rahim (University of Juba, Sudan) • Oil Investment in a field of overlapping conflicts. Elke Grawert (Bonn International Center for Conversion, Germany) • Money for the gatekeeper? Gold mining, international investment and resource politics in Sudan. Sandra Calkins (University of Leipzig, Germany) and Enrico Ille (University of Halle-Wittenberg, Germany)
	Hall 7	<p>Panel IV: 'Old Identities and Histories' (chair: Irma Taddia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpreters, interlocutors and an intermediary language: chiefs, the state and colloquial Arabic in South Sudanese history. Cherry Leonardi (Durham University, United Kingdom) • The Egyptian army and the imperfect construction of a racial state in colonial Sudan, 1898–1924. Elena Vezzadini (University of Bergen/CEAf-EHESS Paris) • When South Sudan hoped: Southern political parties in the period October 1964–July 1965. Irene Panozzo (University of Trieste, Italy)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel V: 'Grassroots Peacebuilding'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The changing nature of political activism in Sudan: women "activists" as catalysts in civil society. Sondra Hale (University of California, Los Angeles, USA) and Gada Kadoda (Garden City College and University of Khartoum, Sudan) • Gender-based violence in Darfur: prevention and response Lucy Anna Mathieson (Human Rights and GBV Researcher; Khartoum, Sudan) • Is peace not for everyone? Narratives on a struggle for peace, equality and development in Sudan. Margret Verwijk (Utrecht University, the Netherlands)
15:00		Tea break

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15:30	Hall 1	<p>Panel VI: 'Potential Conflict in International Development Issues' (chair: Aly Verjee)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conflict over the Nile waters: A chance for Sudan–South Sudan cooperation. Sascha A. Kienzle (University of the Bundeswehr, Munich, Germany) • The conflict–security–development nexus along the Sudan–South Sudan border. Skye Wheeler and Noah Gottschalk (Oxfam America, USA)
	Hall 7	<p>Panel VII: 'Development and Local Communities' (chair: Cherry Leonardi)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Merowe Dam and forced displacement in Northern Sudan. Valerie Hänsch (PhD candidate, BIGSAS, University of Bayreuth, Germany) • Negotiating change: discourses, politics and practices of local community development institutions. Salma Mohamed Abdalla (PhD candidate, BIGSAS, University of Bayreuth, Germany) • The co-option of humanitarian assistance in Darfur. Elis Schmeer (London School of Economics, United Kingdom)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel VIII: 'Video'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Iron Bride": Roadside mechanics in the Sudan. Kurt Beck (University of Bayreuth, Germany)
17:30		Rhine boat trip (until 20:00), Rheinaustr. 241, 53225 Bonn
21:30		Late dinner at Phoenicia Lounge, Clemens-August-Straße 34, 53115 Bonn

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Day 3, 25 July 2012
"Power Relations and External Interests"

9:00	Hall 1	Keynote Speech Luka Biong Deng Kuol (Kush Inc., Juba, South Sudan)
10:00		Tea break
10:30	Hall 1	Panel I: 'Inter-state Relations between the Two Sudans' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factors for a peaceful existence of neighboring countries: a paradigm of the Republics of South Sudan and Sudan. Valeriano Orasio Loyalala (Torit University for Science and Technology, Juba, South Sudan) • Politics of Islamic banking: a new approach underlying the crisis of Sudanese identity? Ahmed Elhassab Omer (PhD candidate, BIGSAS, University of Bayreuth, Germany) • Two Sudans: from dispute to cooperation. Mey Eltayeb Ahmed (Climate Change Focal Point, Khartoum, Sudan)
	Hall 7	Panel II: 'Constitutions and Nation-building' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conflict resolution in the constitution of South Sudan (2011). Maik Boldau, Ingo Henneberg and Friedrich Plank (University of Augsburg, Germany) • The Republic of Sudan after South Sudan's independence: falling apart or holding together? Yasir Awad A. Eltahir (University of Khartoum, Sudan) • South Sudan in the post referendum era: democratic requirements for nation-building project. Christopher Zambakari (Northeastern University, Boston, USA)
	Hall 8	Panel III Video 'Our Beloved Sudan' [newly released film] Taghreed Elsanhoury
12:00		Lunch Break
13:30	Hall 1	Panel IV: 'Political Scenarios and German Politics towards Sudan and South Sudan' (chair: Elke Grawert) With short statements from Mey Eltayeb Ahmed (Climate Change Focal Point, Khartoum, Sudan), Mom Kou Nhial Arou (University of Juba, South Sudan), Johannes Sperrfechter (German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development BMZ), Johannes Lehne (German Foreign Office), Marina Peter (Sudan / South Sudan Ecumenical Forum), Wolf-Christian Paes (Bonn International Center for Conversion BICC)

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	Hall 7	Panel V: 'Peace and Peace Building' (chair: Michael Medley)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fighting for resources—what can development cooperation contribute to decentralization as means for peaceful conflict resolution among agro-pastoralists in South Sudan? Elisabeth Hartwig and Tinega Ong'ondi (Vétérinaires sans Frontières, Hannover / Nairobi / Juba) Building peace from the ground up in Sudan and South Sudan. Jacqueline Wilson (United States Institution of Peace, Washington, DC, USA) Network analysis of Sudan's Islamist politics. Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban (Sudan Studies Association, USA)
15:00		Tea break
15:30	Hall 1	Panel VI Video 'Orphans of Passage' (Granada TV Disappearing World series) Wendy James
	Hall 7	Panel VII: 'Identity- a lasting challenge'
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sudan and Mauritania: The experience of new Sahelian nations of Arabic identity but homes of ancient African civilizations. Pieter Tesch (SSSUK, United Kingdom) Religion after state: The creation of a Muslim minority in South Sudan Noah Salomon (Carleton College, USA) Post-secession Sudan: The illusion of homogeneity. Ibrahim Elnur (American University in Cairo, Egypt) and Amira Ahmed (independent scholar, Cairo, Egypt)
	Hall 8	Panel VIII: 'Border Politics' (chair: Cherry Leonardi)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The "New South" and the emerging (b)orders and disorders in Sudan(s). Guma Kunda Komey (Juba University-North, Khartoum, Sudan) Bordering on war: disentangling local impact of the internationalization of the Sudan-South Sudan border. Oystein Rolandsen (Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO), Oslo, Norway) Political unrest and border issue: an essay on the identity movement in Darfur. Adam Mahamat (University of Maroua, Cameroon)
17:00	Hall 1	Conclusion of the Conference Elke Grawert
18:00		Guided walking tour through Bonn (1.5 hours)
20:00		Farewell Reception with music (festival hall, University)