



The Berbera Corridor

Program

24th – 25th November – Sala de Reuniões 1

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9h30 - Opening Session

- FLUP - Diretora da Faculdade de Letras da Universidade do Porto
- REDSEA Cultural Foundation – Jama Musse Jama
- CEAUP – Ana Maria Guedes

10h00 – Painel 1 - Geopolitics of the Berbera Corridor - general views (part 1)

Moderador: Bahdon Abdillahi

- **The Berbera Corridor and the New Normal in the Horn of Africa: A Critical Appraisal**
Biruk Shewadeg
- **Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb and Berbera: Geo-Strategic Importance of Interconnected Trade Corridors**
Aleksi Ylönen

- **The Future of Maritime Security in the Red Sea Geopolitics: Implications of Berbera Corridor Development and its implications to the Horn of Africa**

Samuel Tefera Alemu

10h45 - Debate

11h15 – Coffee Break

11h30 – Paine1 1 - Geopolitics of the Berbera Corridor - general views (part 2)

Moderador: Mourad Aty

- **The Emergence of Berbera Port in the Shifting Geopolitics and its Implication for the Horn of Africa**

Fiseha Moreda

- **The Geopolitical Dynamics–Port Developments Nexus: the Case of Berbera Corridor**

Nasir M. Ali (Ph.D), Sihaam A. Mumin, Soreer H. Bulhan

- **Le Train en Republique de Djubouti et en Ethiopie: De la Colonisation Européenne a la Conquête Chinoise**

Bahdon Abdillahi

12h15 - Debate

12h45 – Lunch

14h30 – Paine1 2 - The Berbera Corridor under the U.S.A. views - some historical evidences (Part 1)

Moderador: Bruno Sousa

- **U.S. Strategy in the Red Sea Region: The Somaliland Connection**

Michael Woldemariam

- **Berbera through US State Department's Documents in the 1970s: What Importance during the Cold War Era?**

Mourad Aty

- **Berbera in the Cold War: views from CIA and Portuguese Diplomatic sources (1975-1985)**

Maciel Santos & Renata Moreira

- **The World Powers at play: the Chinese military base in Djibouti, a parallel with the US strategy for the Arab-World, the case of Morocco and Iran**

Jorge Teixeira

15h30 - Debate

16h00 – Coffee Break

16h15 – Painel 3 – The political economy of the Berbera Corridor (Part 1)

Moderador – Jorge Teixeira

- **The Geo-economics versus Geopolitics of Berbera Corridor of Somaliland: A political economy Analysis**

Mohamed O. Osman Guudle

- **A Ban or Boon for Economic Developments**

Elyas Abdulahi

- **The Politics of The Corridor**

Michael Walls

17h00 – Debate

17H30 Closure of Day

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9h30 – Painel 3 – The political economy of the Berbera Corridor (Part 2)

Moderador – Michael Walls

- **Let the Business Talk: Revisiting the Ethio-Somaliland Deal on the Berbera Corridor**
Metassebia Hailu Zeleke
- **Port Economy in the Horn of Africa and Berbera Corridor's Impact on Political Alliance and Development Between the Regional Countries**
Tirsit Yetbarek
- **Somalia and the new space economy: what perspectives for the Berbera corridor?**
Bruno Sousa

10h15 - Debate

10h45 – Painel 4 – Logistics and infrastructures of the Berbera Corridor (part 1)

Moderador – Maciel Santos

- **A bet on the future. The logistics and (geo-)politics of Berbera port and corridor.**
Finn Stepputat

- **Ports With(out) Ships: Infrastructure and Sovereignty in The Horn of Africa**

Harry Verhoeven & Biruk Terrefe

- **Infrastructures as barriers: the impact of the Berbera Corridor on small urban centres**

Giorgio Talocci

11h30 - Debate

12h -Lunch

14h00 – Paine1 4 – Logistics and infrastructures of the Berbera Corridor (part 2)

Moderador – Biruk Terrefe

- **The relevance of detours: longitudinal and transversal dynamics along the Berbera corridor**

Luca Ciabbarri

- **Socio-economic impacts of infrastructural development on vulnerable communities along the Berbera corridor and the Berbera port**

Amina-Bahja Ekman

14h30 - Debate

15h00 – Paine1 5 –The regional and social impact of the Berbera Corridor (part 1)

Moderador – Tirsit Yetbarek

- **Berbera Corridor: reflections on political, socio-economic, cross-border, and environmental impact**

Jama Musse Jama

- **Economic Benefits of the Berbera Port**

Dawit Haileyesus

- **Imperial rule in the Berbera corridor; Its economic and social consequences**

Wyatt Constantine

15h45 - Debate

16h15 – Coffee Break

16h30 – Paine1 5 –The regional and social impact of the Berbera Corridor (part 2)

Moderador – Jama Musse Jama

- **Short Term Impacts of DP World Investment on Socio-economic and Livelihood of Berbera Residents and its Policy Implication on the Investment in General**

Abdiwahab Garad

- **Economic Impact of Berbera Corridor on Cross-border communities (Pastoral societies) in Somaliland-Ethiopia border**

Cabdala Nadiif

- **A road Linkin**

Kamaal Abiib

17h15 - Debate

17h45 – Balance of the Conference. Information about publishing and future projects

The Organizing Board

Closure of the Conference