

POLITICAL PARTIES IN AFRICA - CONFERENCE SERIES *INTERNAL CHANGES AND FOREIGN POLICY OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES*

Postponement

NEW DATES: 2022, May, 5-6

Organization:

CEAUP - Porto

Institute for African Studies - Moscow

University of South Africa - Pretoria

The Organising Committee of the **Conference Political Parties in Africa**, due for next October 22-23 in Porto, is sorry to inform you that for the second time, due to the late development of COVID-19 in Portugal and in the rest of the world, **this Conference will be postponed.**

The new dates are now 2022, May.5-6.

The paper proposals validated by the Scientific Committee will automatically be included in the 2022 Conference, if their respective proponents confirm their participation to the Organising Committee.

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During colonial times, the political party (as well as the Trade Union) has been one of the most successful acculturated institutions enforcing social change in Africa. Within the independent States - especially after 1990 with the rise of multiparty systems – the inflation of African political parties and systems still shows no signs of regulation. Just like African demography, it seems that African political systems remain a hard field to pattern settings.

Regardless of their different sociology, ideological standings and organisational endurance, political organisations remain a key for the understanding of the trends of African states. In which ways have African political parties – legal or illegal - impacted their societies ? Is there an African way for the political party ?

More than one century after the rise of modern African political organisations, this Conference hopes to contribute for an interdisciplinary debate about their role and typologies. It also expects to cover, as widely as possible, the variety of African regional contexts.

ORGANISATION and SCHEDULE OF THE CONFERENCE:

- Call for papers – from 1st May to 30th November 2021
- Validation and notification of acceptance – 30th January 2022

Guideline for proposals

- Papers: maximum 300 words, abstracts in English or in two languages being one of them English.
- New papers: proposals must be sent to the e-mail address of the respective panel convenor (see list of approved panels) AND to the CEAUP: ceaup@letras.up.pt
- SEE THE LIST OF ACCEPTED PANELS

WORKING LANGUAGES OF THE PAPER PROPOSALS

- English / French / Portuguese / Russian

Registration fees:

- Participants with paper: 100 € (40€ for Ph.D. students and for participants from African Research centers or Institutions);
- Participants just attending: Free,
- The members of the Scientific Committee and of the organizing institutions will be exempted from registration fee.

In due time this site will update further information about the Conference.