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Elections in Africa

Internal Changes and Foreign Policy of African Countries Conference Series

(Moscow, November 1-2, 2018)

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

November 1, Thursday

9 A.M. – 9:30 A.M. (INSTITUTE LIBRARY)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION

registration will also be possible any moment after that during the Conference working hours

9:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

OPENING CEREMONY

(CONFERENCE HALL)

Keynote addresses from the officials of the Institute for African Studies (Russian Academy of Sciences) and the African Studies Center (Porto University).

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. *WORK OF PANELS*

PANEL 1

PEACE, SECURITY & THE ACTUAL TRANSFER OF POWER DYNAMICS IN
AFRICAN ELECTIONS (GENERAL ASPECTS OF ELECTIONS IN AFRICA)
(CONVENER: MARTIN REVAYI RUPIYA; READING HALL)

Lesiba Teffo (University of South Africa, Pretoria). The implications of political power pacts, before or after elections, representing the phenomenon of 'Beyond the Ballot Box' on electoral processes

Cheryl Hendricks (University of Johannesburg, South Africa). Elections and conflict in Africa: Rethinking conflict management mechanisms

Sipho Gideon Mantula (University of South Africa, Pretoria). Managing human security and security of ballot boxes in an African election context: The impact of the African Charter on democracy, elections and governance of 2007

PANEL 2

ELECTIONS IN AFRICA: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS (CONVENERS: MACIEL MORAIS SANTOS, VLADIMIR SHUBIN; CONFERENCE HALL)

Maciel Morais Santos (Porto University, Portugal). The Egyptian politics and the 1945 elections seen from a minor imperialism – Portuguese diplomacy in Egypt (1940–1945) Sergey N. Volkov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). The presidential election campaign of 2018 in Egypt

Mourad Aty (University of 8 May 1945, Guelma, Algeria and Porto University, Portugal). Peculiarity of Algerian campaigns for local elections: Voting for the Party or for the "Aarch"?

11:30 A.M. – NOON

COFFEE BREAK

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NOON – 2 P.M. WORK OF PANELS

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Andreas Velthuizen (University of South Africa, Pretoria). An Election Cheat Sheet and what to do about it: The role and functions of Electoral Management Bodies (EMBs) in Africa Victor A.O.Adetula (The Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden). Citizen's discontent, public trust, and political participation in Africa's new democracies

Tatyana Denisova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). The "wave of democratisation" and electoral processes in Sub-Saharan Africa

O. Igho Natufe (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Elections and democracy in Africa: Issues and perspectives

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Natalia V. Vinogradova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Elections in the Central African Republic in 2015–2016

Robtel Neajai Pailey (University of Oxford, United Kingdom), David Harris (University of Bradford, United Kingdom). Post-party politics? Local, national and transnational dimensions of Liberia's 2017 elections

Lybov M. Sadovskaya (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). The problem of political leadership and electoral process in Côte d'Ivoire

Abdou-Wahabi Abdou (Selçuk University, Selçuklu/Konya, Turkey). Post-electoral contestations: Threat or alternative in the process of democratization in Africa? The example of Togo

2 P.M. – 3 P.M. *LUNCH*

3 P.M. – 5 P.M. WORK OF PANELS

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Dumas F. Lafontant (University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA). "Africa rising".

The role of social media in voter turnout

Elena V. Kharitonova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Social representations and attitudes as a basis for electoral behavior in African countries: the experience of empirical research

Olga S. Kulkova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). The EU as an observer of elections in Africa: Aims, methods and consequences (the 2000s)

Ndubuisi Idejiora-Kalu (African Youth Union Commission, Port Harcourt, Nigeria). Economic and religious interplay of interests as a reason for drastic change in Africa's electioneering dynamics

PANEL 2

ELECTIONS IN AFRICA: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS

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Benedict Chika Ibolekwu (Deggendorf Institute of Technology, Germany). Cliché of election in Nigeria: To be or not to be

Chris S. Orngu (Benue State University, Makurdi, Nigeria). The geopolitics of 'zoning principle' in Nigeria's electoral process

Ehiane O. Stanley (University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa). Electoral violence in Nigeria in the wake of globalisation: A rethinking order

Princess Hamman-Obels (University of Oxford, United Kingdom, and Independent National Electoral Commission, Abuja, Nigeria). Electoral governance in Africa: Understanding 'successful' elections from Nigeria's 2011-2015 electoral narratives

Edwin Anisha (Michael Imoudu National Institute for Labour Studies, Ilorin-Kwara State, Nigeria). From corporatism to contentious politics: Analyzing elections in the context of dual transitions in Nigeria and emerging (African) countries

5 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

COFFEE BREAK

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5:30 P.M. – 7 P.M. WORK OF PANELS

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Jephias Mapuva (Bindura University, Zimbabwe). Elections in Africa: Prospects and challenges for democracy

Prince Kossa (Universtié du Québec à Trois-Rivieres, Canada). **Democratic elections and ethnic alliances**

Martin Revayi Rupiya (University of South Africa, Pretoria). "Winning elections" in African "republican dynasties" of Togo, Gabon, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Equatorial Guinea: 2005 – 2018

PANEL 2

ELECTIONS IN AFRICA: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS (CONVENERS: MACIEL MORAIS SANTOS, VLADIMIR SHUBIN; CONFERENCE HALL)

Ariadna P. Pozdnyakova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Peculiarities of the electoral system of Sao Tome and Principe

Augusto Manuel Saraiva do Nascimento Diniz (University of Lisbon and Porto University, Portugal). Elections in São Tomé and Príncipe: From redemptive democracy to authoritarian restoration?

Svetlana M. Shlyonskaya (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Madagascar 2018 presidential elections: Towards a new crisis?

November 2, Friday

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. *WORK OF PANELS*

PANEL 2

ELECTIONS IN AFRICA: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS (CONVENERS: MACIEL MORAIS SANTOS, VLADIMIR SHUBIN; CONFERENCE HALL)

Natalia F. Matveeva (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Presidential elections in** the context of political processes in Kenya (The winner takes all)

Maria Piotrowska (University of Warsaw, Poland). **Ethnicization of politics in Kenyan 2017** elections

Ilya V. Ponomaryov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Implementation of a** new constitution and attempts to destabilize the socio-political situation in Kenya

11:30 A.M. – NOON

COFFEE BREAK

(CONFERENCE HALL)

NOON – 2 P.M. WORK OF PANELS

PANEL 2

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Liubov Ya. Prokopenko (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). The electoral process in Zambia: A quarter of a century of political pluralism

Marcelo Bittencourt (Fluminense Federal University, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and University of Lisbon, Portugal). **The Angolan elections of 1992**

Sergei V. Nenashev (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Angola's general elections of 2017

Andrei Tokarev (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Moçambique está se preparando para eleições universais de 2019

2 P.M. – 3 P.M. *LUNCH*

3 P.M. – 6 P.M. WORK OF PANELS

PANEL 2

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Eldar R Salakhetdinov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Elections of Robert Mugabe: It doesn't matter who votes, what matters is who counts the votes

Vladimir Shubin (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Election in Zimbabwe: Free and fair?

Veronica Nmoma Robinson (University of North Carolina, Charlotte, USA). Zimbabwean election in a changing new world order

Alexandra Arkhangelskaya (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Elections in South Africa: History, foreign policy and political psychology

Tatiana Deych (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). Elections in Africa and China's position: African opinion

Andrey Yu. Urnov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). The United States and Elections in Africa

6 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. CLOSING CEREMONY (CONFERENCE HALL)

Final remarks from the officials of the Institute for African Studies (Russian Academy of Sciences), the African Studies Center (Porto University), and Conference participants.

6:30 P.M. – 8 P.M.

RECEPTION

(READING HALL)