



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), Joshua Otor Akol (Juba University, South Sudan) (discussant) (tbc)
12:30		Lunch break
14:00		Panel I: 'Youth'

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- 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)
- 'And when I become a man': trans-local search of masculinity among young returnee men to South Sudan.
Katarzyna Grabska (Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, Basel, Switzerland) and Martha Fanjoy (University of Toronto, Canada)
- Education and its role in conflict and post-conflict situations: Juba University as a case study.
Mohamed Ahmed Mukhtar (College of Social and Economic Studies, Khartoum, Sudan)

Hall 7 Panel II: 'Language'

- A pre-Arabic language of the Funj Sultanate of Sennar.
Robert Borges and Harald Hammarström (Radboud University, Nijmegen, the Netherlands)
- The season of Tuubar in Dongolawi and Kenzi Proverbs.
Marcus Jaeger (Cologne University, Germany)
- 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)
- A new approach to bridging the lexical gap in Dongolawi.
Nasir Ali Osman Satti (University of Khartoum, Sudan)

Hall 8 Panel III: 'South Sudan and the Wider Region (1)'

- 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	Panel IV: 'New Identities' (chair: Irma Taddia) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The challenges of reconstitution of national identity in the Sudans. Redie Bereketeab (Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden)• Post-secession Sudan: The illusion of homogeneity. Ibrahim Elnur (American University in Cairo, Egypt) and Amira Ahmed (independent scholar, Cairo, Egypt)• "We Lost Part of Ourselves": Sudanese voices on the separation of South Sudan. Margaret Otto (MA Peace Studies, Berlin, Germany)• We—the "Sudanese"—have not been liberated yet. Abdullahi A. Gallab (Arizona State University, Metro Phoenix, USA)
	Hall 7	Panel V: 'New Historiographies' (chair: Douglas Johnson) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "Vivid scenes of melodrama": the historiographical production of Sudan. Dahlia E.M. Gubara (Columbia University, New York, USA)• "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)
	Hall 8	Panel VI: 'South Sudan and the Wider Region (2)' <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)
19:00		Reception

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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)• The predicament of pastoralist economy and society in post-secession Sudan: challenges and prospects for pastoralist livelihoods in borderlands of South Kordofan. Abdalbasit Saeed (Abdalbasit Consultancy Enterprise, 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)

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	Hall 8	<p>Panel III: 'New Citizenship' (chair: Abdullahi A. Gallab, Arizona State University, Metro Phoenix, USA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stagecraft and nation-building: creating a heroic narrative for an independent South Sudan. Carol Berger (Bristol University, United Kingdom) • 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)
12:00		Lunch Break
13:30	Hall 1	<p>Panel IV: 'Fiscal and Investment Issues' (chair: Aly Verjee, tbc)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiscal decentralization in South Sudan federalism. Asha Abdel Rahim (University of Juba, Sudan) • Politics of Islamic banking: a new approach underlying the crisis of Sudanese identity? Ahmed Elhassab Omer (PhD candidate, BIGSAS, University of Bayreuth, Germany) • 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 V: 'Old Identities and Histories' (chair: Irma Taddia, University of Bologna, Italy)</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)

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	Hall 8	<p>Panel VI: '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
15:30	Hall 1	<p>Panel VII: '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) • South Sudan in volatilities of sharing the Nile Basin. Samson S. Wassara (University of Yambio, Juba, South Sudan) • The conflict–security–development nexus along the Sudan–South Sudan border. Skye Wheeler and Noah Gottschalk (Oxfam America, USA)
	Hall 7	<p>Panel VIII: 'Development and Local Communities'</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) • Oil exploitation and local communities in South Sudan. Leben Nelson Moro (University of Juba, South Sudan)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel IX: '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 and late dinner

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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) • Two Sudans: from dispute to cooperation. Mey Eltayeb Ahmed (Climate Change Focal Point, Khartoum, Sudan) • National boundaries and geopolitical and economic issues in the post-referendum era in the Sudan. Mohamed Eid Kilase (University of Bahri, Khartoum, Sudan) • The Shifting Nature of Sudan-South Sudan Borders: An Exercise of Power (Joshua Otor Akol, Juba University, South 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) • Religion After State: The Creation of a Muslim Minority in South Sudan Noah Salomon (Carleton College, USA) • 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),

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		Wolf-Christian Paes (Bonn International Center for Conversion BICC)
	Hall 7	<p>Panel V: 'Border Politics'</p> <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)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel VI: 'Peace and Peace Building'</p> <p>(chair: Michael Medley)</p> <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 Tinenga 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) • Elusive peace: security and peace building in South Sudan. Sibylle Albrecht (PhD candidate, King's College, London, United Kingdom)
15:00		Tea break
15:30	Hall 1	<p>Panel VII</p> <p>Video 'Orphans of Passage' (Granada TV Disappearing World series) Wendy James</p>
	Hall 7	<p>Panel VIII: 'Security Challenges'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ex-combatants in South Sudan: Exploring the link between socio-economic reintegration, armed violence and security. Jairo Munive (Danish Institute for International Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark) • Network analysis of Sudan's Islamist politics. Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban (Sudan Studies Association, USA)
	Hall 8	<p>Panel IX: 'The Two Sudans and the Wider World'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US-Chinese policies and the break-up of the Sudan. Lako Tongun (Pitzer College and Claremont College, Canada and USA) • Role and strategic dimension of Mainland China in the management and resolution of armed conflicts in Sudan. Wilfried Relwende Sawadogo (PhD candidate, University of

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		Reading, London, United Kingdom)
		<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)
17:00	Hall 1	Conclusion of the Conference
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19:30		Farewell Reception