

«Non-Western Europe and Africa: Connections in the Past and the Present»

(Moscow, 2-3 June 2016)

Programme

June 2, 2016

09.30-10:00 – Registration of participants

10.00- 10.15 – Opening ceremony

10.15-13.45 – Panel I. Historical Connections and Ties

Convener – Ljubica Spaskovska

1. Andrei Urnov (Russia). The Soviet Union and Liberation Movement in Africa: Pages of History
2. Catherine Ratcliff (UK). “Freedom as Development” in Soviet Public Discursive Construction of Africa (**Presentation will be made via Skype**)
3. Vladimir Shubin (Russia). Red Star over Southern Africa: the Role of the Soviet Military in the Region
4. Hilary Lynd (USA). From Anti-Imperialism to National Interest: Gorbachev's New Thinking and Soviet-ANC Relations

12.00-12.20 – Coffee-break

5. Ljubica Spaskovska (UK). (Un)likely Allies – Yugoslavia, Africa and the Pursuit of Non-Aligned Internationalism
6. Emmanuel Habyarimana (Switzerland). Geopolitical Dynamics of the Relations between the U.S.S.R./Russia and Other Central and Eastern European Countries and the African Great Lakes Region since the End of the World War II
7. Leah C. Nodvin (USA). Inclusive State-Building and Distributive State-Building: an Analysis of Legitimacy in Rwanda and Bosnia

13.45-15.00 – Lunch

15.00-19.00 – Panel II. Political and Economic Connections and Ties

Convener – Olga Kulkova

1. O. Igho Natufe (Ukraine). Africa in Russian Foreign Policy: a Study in Strategic Priorities
2. Tatiana Deych (Russia). Russian-African Political Relations at the Present Stage
3. Evgeny Korendyasov (Russia). Russia Returns to Africa: Economic Aspects
4. Olga Kulkova (Russia). Russia's Approach to Supporting Development and Security in Africa (2000-2010s)

16.50-17.10 – Coffee-break

5. Sergey Nenashev (Russia). Russia and Angola: the Past and the Present of Bilateral Relations
6. Angessa Duga Challa (Russia). Post-Soviet Russia and the Perspectives of Oromo Question in Ethiopia
7. Zinaida Sokova (Russia). The Regional Cooperation between Russia and Africa (Case Study of Tyumen Region)
8. Vasily Sidorov (Russia). South African Energy Sector and "Rosatom"

June 3, 2016

10.00-13:30 – Panel III. Cultural Ties and Relations

Convener – Sarah Lunaček

1. Lilijana Stepančič (Slovenia). Exhibiting Prints from the Global South at the International Biennial of Graphic Arts in Ljubljana 1955 – 1991
2. Sarah Lunaček (Slovenia). Film Reporters of SFR Yugoslavia's Newsreel 'Filmske novosti' in Africa
3. Nikolai Jeffs (Slovenia). Subversion, Solidarity, Containment: Non-Alignment, Yuri Muri, and the Racist Representation of Africans in Socialist Yugoslavia and Postsocialist Slovenia

11.15-11.35 – Coffee-break

1. Salavat Azerbaev (Kazakhstan). Kazakhstan – Africa Twin Cities: History and Present Day of Relations
2. Eleonora Lvova (Russia). The First Scientists of Moscow University in East Africa
3. Nikolai Dobronravin (Russia). From Timbuktu to Harar: African Islamic Manuscripts in Russia
4. Djordina Trubarac Matić (Serbia). Water Bulls: Khoisan and Balkanic Parallels

13.15-14.30 – Lunch

14.30-16.30 – Panel IV. African Students and Migrants in Non-Western Europe

Convener – Dmitri Bondarenko

1. Dmitri Bondarenko (Russia). African Migrants in the USSR and RF: A Socio-Cultural Comparison
2. Veronica Usacheva (Russia). African Students in Moscow: Cultural Adaptations in the Soviet Union and Post-Soviet Russia
3. Anna Siim-Moskvitina (Russia). Learning about their Own Society and Culture in the USSR: African Students and the Soviet School of Anthropology
4. Elieth Eyebiyi (Benin). African Connections and Student Training Dynamics in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe (**Presentation will be made via Skype**)
5. Tatiana Smirnova (France). Social History of International Women Cooperation between the USSR and African Countries (**Presentation will be made via Skype**)

16.30-17.00 – Closing ceremony