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65th anniversary of the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences

On October 30, 2024, the 65th anniversary of the Institute for African Studies Russian Academy of Sciences was celebrated. The event was opened by speeches by the Director of the IAS RAS, member of the Presidium of the RAS, Corresponding Member of the RAS, Dr. Sc. (Econ.), Professor I.O. Abramova and Honorary President of the IAS RAS, Academician of the RAS. Dr. Sc. (Hist.), Professor A.M. Vasiliev.

The congratulatory addresses and speeches of the guests noted the important role of the Institute for African Studies RAS in shaping and implementing the economic and political strategy of the USSR/Russia in the African direction (including active participation in the organization of the Russia-Africa Summits in 2019 and 2023), the contribution of the Institute's staff to the study of African countries. The fruitful and stable relations of the Institute with other scientific research organizations, government authorities, public associations and the business community both in our country and in Africa. Read more.

XXIII All-Russian School of Young Africanists “Cooperation between Russia and African countries at a new stage: economic, political and cultural aspects”.

On December 3-4, 2024, the XXIII All-Russian School of Young Africanists "Cooperation" was held. Russia and African countries at a new stage: economic, political and cultural aspects". The conference was held in cooperation with the Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation. The conference was attended by 157 students, postgraduates and young scientists from universities and academic institutes in Russia. Read more.

First Ministerial Conference of the Russia-Africa Partnership Forum

On November 9-10, 2024, the federal territory of Sirius hosted the First Ministerial Conference of the Russia-Africa Partnership Forum. The event followed up on the decisions of the second Russia–Africa summit and brought together the heads of the foreign ministries of the Russian Federation and the States of the continent, the African Union Commission, as well as the executive bodies of regional integration associations.

The First Ministerial Conference of the Russia-Africa Partnership Forum was attended by the following participants Director of IAS RAS, Corresponding Member of the RAS, Prof. I.O. Abramova and Chairman of the IAS RAS SMU, Junior Researcher at the Center for Global and Strategic Studies Gleb Gusakov, Junior Researcher at the Center for the Study of African Strategy BRICS Andreeva T.A. Read more.

XXI Annual Meeting of the International Discussion Club "Valdai"

XXI Annual Meeting of the International Discussion Club "Valdai" on the topic "Lasting peace - on what basis? Universal Security and Equal Opportunities for Development in the 21st Century" was held in Sochi from November 4-7. It brought together 140 participants from 50 countries. The organizers identified the main goal of the conference as coordinating the positions of states in solving global problems. Read more.

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A joint delegation of the IAS RAS and the Institute for Strategic Studies and Forecasts of the RUDN University paid a working visit to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.

On November 24-29, 2024, representatives of the Institute for African Studies of the RAS as part of the delegation were: Abramova I.O. – Director of the IAS RAS, member Presidium of the RAS, Corresponding member. RAS; A.K. Barinov – Researcher at the Center for Global and Strategic Studies, Chairman of the SMU of the IAS RAS; Usacheva V.V. – Senior Researcher at the Center for History and Cultural Anthropology of IAS RAS, Associate Prof.at the Faculty of Social Sciences and Mass Communications of the Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation. Read more.

Meeting of the Director of the IAS RAS I.O. Abramova with Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Federative Democratic Republic of Ethiopia. Mr. Genet Teshome Giroux and the Minister of the Embassy. Mr. Gisella Shavel Mekuria

On October 15, 2024, the Director of the IAS RAS, member of the Presidium of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Corresponding Member of the RAS, Dr. Sc. (Econ.), Prof. I.O. Abramova met with the Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Federal Democratic Republic Ethiopia's Mr. Genet Teshome Giroux and the Minister of Embassy, Mr. Gisella Shavel Mekuria. Read more.

Agreement between the Institute for African Studies of the RAS and the Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation

On October 29, 2024, a cooperation agreement was signed between the IAS RAS and the Financial University at The Government of the Russian Federation.

In his welcoming speech, Rector of the Financial University S.E. Prokofiev and I.O. Abramova, Director of the IAS RAS, noted the relevance of long-term cooperation aimed at training professional Africanists, as well as joint fundamental and applied scientific research in the field of economics and finance. Read more.

The solemn meeting of the Academic Council dedicated to the 100th anniversary Amilcar Cabral

On October 2, 2024, in the conference hall of the IAS RAS was held a solemn meeting of the Academic Council of the Institute dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the outstanding figure of the anti-colonial movement in Africa. anniversary of Amilcar Cabral

Among the distinguished foreign guests were the Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Cameroon, Doyen of the African Diplomatic Corps in Moscow, Mr. Mahamat Paba Sale, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Angola , Mr. Augusto da Silva Cunha, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Mozambique, Mr. Jose Mateusz Muariya Katupa; diplomats of the Embassy of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, among them the Second Secretary of the Embassy RGB in Moscow, A. Cabral's grandson, Mr. Leopoldo Samori Mendonza Lopez Cabral. Read more.

Presentation of the book by the Prime Minister of Burkina Faso Apolinner Joachimson Kielem de Tambela in the Russian Academy of Sciences

On October 10, 2024 in the building of the Presidium of the Russian Academy of Sciences was held the presentation of a monograph by the Prime Minister of Burkina Faso, Apolinner Joachimson Kielem de Tambela “Toma Sankara and the Revolution in Burkina Faso. The experience of self-oriented development", dedicated to the history of the West African country with a special focus on the revolutionary period of 1983-1987. Read more.

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XV Annual Scientific Assembly of the Association of Russian Geographers and Social Scientists (ARGO)

On September 29 – October 8, 2024, the XV Annual Scientific Assembly of the Association of Russian Social Geographers was held at the sites of Kuban State University (Krasnodar) and Adygea State University (Maikop). (ARGO).

The Institute for African Studies of the RAS was represented at the ARGO Assembly by the staff of the Center for Global and Strategic Studies: Senior Researcher, Ph.D. (Geogr.), M.M. Agafoshin; Head of the Center for Global and Strategic Studies Ph.D. (Geogr.), Professor S.A. Gorokhov, Deputy Director of the IAS RAS, Ph.D. R.V. Dmitriev; Senior Researcher, Ph.D. (Geogr.), I.A. Zakharov. Read more.

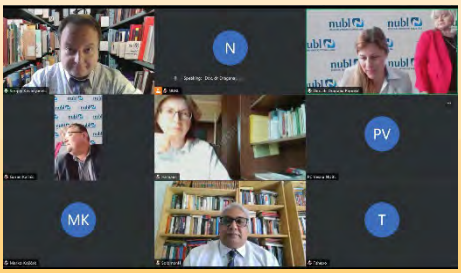
I Russian-African Forum of Young International Experts on Security and Development Issues

October 2, 2024, Ph.D. (Political Science), Head of The Center for Sociological and Political Science Studies of the IAS RAS S.V. Kostelianets delivered a lecture at the "I Russian-African Forum of Young International Experts on Security and Development Issues", held by The PIR Center in partnership with Rossotrudnichestvo and MGIMO of the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Read more.

VIII International scientific and educational program "School BRICS"

On October 1-3, 2024, Moscow hosted the VIII International scientific and educational program "BRICS School".

The staff of the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences were invited to the international school as experts: D. A. Zelenova, Head of the BRICS Center for the Study of African Strategy, and V. A. Sidorov, Senior Researcher at the Center. They prepared a lecture on "Africa and BRICS: opportunities and difficulties of expansion." Read more.



International Conference "Future of Socio-Economic Development in Ever-Growing Global Contradictions"

November 7, 2024 The Center for Sociological and Political Science Research (CSPI) of the IAS RAS in cooperation with the Independent University of Banja Luka (Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina/Republic Serbian) and the University of the Free State (Bloemfontein, South Africa) conducted a trilateral international hybrid (offline in Banja Luka and online) scientific conference on the topic: "The Future of Socio-Economic Development in Ever- Growing Global Contradictions" ("The future of socio-economic development in the context of growing global contradictions"). The Rector addressed the participants of the conference with a welcoming speech The Independent University of Banja Luka, Professor G. Kalinich and Deputy Director of the IAS RAS, Ph.D. (Hist.) N.A. Zherlitsyn. Read more.

The Third International Conference on Business Management and Economic Development in Tanzania

On November 7-9, 2024, the Third International Conference on Business Management and Economic Development, organized by the Tanzanian Institute of Accounting of the Ministry of Finance. From the IAS RAS with the report "Digital transformations in Sub-Saharan Africa: challenges and prospects" was delivered by Nadezhda Khokholkova, Senior Researcher at the Center for History and Cultural Anthropology. Read more.

XXI Northeast Asian Development Cooperation Forum

On November 15, 2024, in Shanghai (China), at the site of the Shanghai University of International Business and Economics, the Center for the Study of Transition Economics at the Institute for African studies of the RAS, D.A. Degtyarev, Ph.D. in Economics, Prof. participated in the XXI Forum of Northeast Asian Countries on Development Cooperation. During the first session of the event on "Development cooperation: increasing funding", he moderated and commented on the reports of the participants. Read more.

III Forum "Russia-Africa: what's next?"

On October 2-3, 2024, representatives of the The council of young scientists IAS took part in the second part of the III Forum "Russia-Africa: What's Next?" at MGIMO of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia.

On the first day of the event, the young scientists of the Institute of Africa were presented by I.A. Zakharov, Ph.D. (Geogr.), Senior Researcher at the Center for Global and Strategic Studies, and T.A. Andreeva, junior researcher at the BRICS Center for the Study of African Strategy. Read more.

Transdisciplinary International Scientific Conference "Dialogue with Time. Intellectual History today"

The event, which took place on October 15-17, 2024, was attended by more than 200 researchers from 88 scientific and educational institutions. The Institute for African Studies of the RAS was presented by Senior Researcher, Ph.D. (History) N.E. Khokholkova, who delivered the report "The Decolonization of African epistemology: manifesto – doctrine –canon", and junior researcher A.I. Kupalov-Yaropolk, who made a report on "The historical policy of the African Independence Party of Guinea and Cape Verde (PAIGC)". Read more.

Youth Conference «Russia- Africa: power and capabilities of NGOs in strengthening youth cooperation»

From November 6-7, 2024, the staff of the IAS RAS made presentations at the youth conference "Russia- Africa: power and capabilities of NGOs in strengthening youth cooperation", organized by Rosmolodezh and The Russia–BRICS Project Office and held online conference. The program brought together several hundred participants from dozens of African countries, who were mainly involved in the work of local NGOs and international humanitarian cooperation. Read more.

Federation Council Commission on Information Policy and Interaction with the Media

On October 10, 2024, V.V. Usacheva, Senior Researcher at the Center for History and Cultural Anthropology of the IAS RAS, participated in the meeting The Federation Council Commission on Information Policy and Interaction with the Media on the topic "BRICS as a key factor in the new reality: the information dimension". Read more.

Federation Council Committee on International Affairs "On the situation in the region Sahel, West and Central Africa".

During the event, which took place on November 25, 2024, Ph.D. (Hist.)T.S. Denisova and Ph.D. (Hist.) L.M. Sadovskaya made presentations on the political and socio-economic problems of these regions. Read more.

Seminar of the Center for History and Cultural Anthropology "Culture and Society"

On October 23, 2024, within the framework of the seminar "Culture and Society" of the Center for History and Cultural Anthropology, two reports by A.A. Banshchikova and V.N. Bryndina devoted to the island part were held United Republic of Tanzania – the islands of Zanzibar and Pembe. Read more.

November 26, 2024 the report "African migrants in France" by Ph.D. (History) N.A. Zherlitsyna. Read more.

December 17, 2024. report by Ph.D. (History), Senior researcher N. E. Khokholkova on the topic "Food traditions as part of the cultural heritage of African Americans." Read more.

Interdisciplinary seminar of the Center for Global and Strategic Studies of the IAS RAS

Within the framework of the third (joint with the Council of Young Scientists of the IAS RAS) meeting of the interdisciplinary seminar, held on November 19, 2024, Ph.D. (Geography), Senior Researcher, Center for Global and Strategic Studies I.A. Zakharov made a presentation on "Religious organizations and socio-economic development South Omo, Ethiopia (based on field research)". Read more.

Conference Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies of the IAS RAS "Prospects of destabilization processes in African Countries"

On December 4, 2024, the Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies of the IAS RAS held a conference on: "Prospects of destabilization processes in African countries"

The relevance of the topic and the issues of the conference are determined by the increasing role of "long-playing" civilizational, cultural, religious, and religious-political factors in the emergence and development of conflict situations in African countries, including major armed conflicts. Read more.

International Scientific and Practical Conference "The New World Order: principles of construction, prospects, challenges"

On October 23-25, Moscow State Linguistic University (MGLU) hosted International Scientific and practical Conference "New World Order: principles of construction, prospects, challenges". The report "World order and peace-building as self-organization and co-evolution of the Ecumene" was delivered by the Senior researcher of the Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies A.I. Nekless. Read more.

XIII International Scientific and Practical Conference "Marine Research and Education - MARESEDU 2024"

From October 28 to November 1, 2024, the XIII Shirshov Institute of Oceanology of the RAS was held in Moscow. International Scientific and Practical Conference "Marine Research and Education - MARESEDU 2024". The conference was held as an official event of the UN Decade dedicated to Ocean Science for Sustainable Development. The IAS RAS was presented by S.A. Mozgovoy, Ph.D. (History), Senior Researcher at the Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies. Read more.

International Scientific and Practical Conference "1944 - the year of decisive victories in the Great Patriotic War of 1941-1945"

On November 12, 2024, the Central Museum of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation hosted the international scientific and practical conference "1944 - the year of decisive Victories in the Great Patriotic War of 1941-1945.". The report "The contribution of the South African troops to the defeat of Nazi Germany in the European Theater of Operations in 1944" was delivered by S.A. Mozgovoy, Ph.D. (History), Senior Researcher at the Center for Civilizational and Regional Studies. Read more.

Staff of the IAS RAS at the IV Congress of Young Scientists

On November 27-29, 2024, the IV Congress of Young Scientists was held on the territory of Sirius, a key event of 2024 within the framework of the Decade of Science and Technology. The Congress was actively attended by the staff of the IAS RAS, researcher G. K. Sugakov, Senior researcher D. A. Zelenova, researcher A. K. Barinov, junior researcher T. A. Andreeva, senior researcher D. A. Degterev, senior researcher V. A. Sidorov. Read more.

Staff of the IAS RAS at the X All-Russian Congress of Political Scientists

The jubilee X All-Russian Congress of Political Scientists with International participation "Russia in a Polycentric World Order: Challenges and New Development Paradigms" was held on December 5-7, 2024 at MGIMO. The Congress is being held in the year of the 35th anniversary of the establishment of political science in Russia as an independent scientific and educational field. From the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Senior researcher A.I. Neklessa and Senior Researcher, Ph.D. (History) Prokopenko L.Ya. presented their reports. Read more.

Round table with international participation "Demography, migration and sustainable development: current issues and challenges".

On December 18, 2024, a round table was held at MGIMO (u) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. The organizers of the scientific event were the Department of Sociology (Faculty of MGIMO University), Department of Demographic and Migration Policy (MGIMO University), Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences. Read more.

The council of young scientists IAS RAS at the VI Coordination Meeting of Young International Scientists

On December 20, 2024, the VI Coordination Meeting of Young International Scientists in the field of international relations and international economic relations was held, organized by the Councils of young scientists of the IAS RAS and the Institute of Europe of the RAS, Peoples' Friendship University of Russia named after Patrice Lumumba and MGIMO Institute of International Studies, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia. The event brought together more than 50 representatives of 28 research teams. Read more.

The BRICS African Strategy Research Center of the IAS RAS at the RUDN University Conference

On December 13, 2024, the Patrice Lumumba Peoples' Friendship University of Russia (RUDN University) hosted the international scientific conference "Paradigms of the New World Order and Comprehensive Security in the Afro-Asian World." The BRICS African Strategy Research Center of the IAS RAS was among the organizers of the conference and was represented by the Head of the Center, senior researcher, Ph.D. (Politic.) Zelenova D.A., Senior researcher, Ph.D. (Econ) Sidorov V.A., junior researcher Turyanitsa D.A., junior researcher Andreeva T.A., junior researcher Abramova E.A., junior researcher Grishenkin M.S., Zamesina S.N. Read more.

Opening of the archival and documentary exhibition "The role of the USSR and Russia in the liberation of Africa"

On October 28, 2024, the Russian Cultural Center of Tanzania hosted the grand opening of the archival and documentary exhibition "The Role of the USSR and Russia in the Liberation of Africa" under the auspices of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation. The project was organized by the Russian State University of Economics with the active participation of the Institute of Africa of the Russian Academy of Sciences. The IAS RAS represented the head of the Center for the Study of African Strategy BRICS Senior Researcher, Ph.D. (Politic), D.A. Zelenova. Read more.

Dissertations defended by the staff of the Center for Global and Strategic Studies

On September 18 and October 9, 2024, PhD dissertations were defended by Nikolai Dmitrievich Andreev and Gleb Konstantinovich Sugakov, employees of the Center for Global and Strategic Studies. We sincerely congratulate our colleagues and wish them to reach new scientific heights! Read more.

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From Johannesburg to Kazan: on the final Declaration of the XVI Summit BRICS 2024

The XVI BRICS Summit, which was attended by 35 delegations and 22 world leaders, ended in Kazan on October 24. The summit ended with the adoption of a new declaration "Strengthening Multilateralism for equitable global development and Security", a traditional official document of the BRICS. Read more.

Presidential elections in Algeria

Early presidential elections were held in Algeria on September 7, 2024, in which incumbent President Abdelmajid Tebboune (79 years old) was re-elected for a second five-year term. According to the final results announced on September 14, 84.3% of the voters who took part in the vote voted for him (about 8 out of 11.2 million who voted). Read more.

The 2024 presidential elections in Ghana and prospects for the development of Russian- Ghanaian relations

Presidential elections were held in Ghana on December 7, 2024. A candidate from the National Democratic Congress party was elected Head of State. John Dramani Mahama, 65, President of Ghana in 2012-2017, received 56.55% of the vote (6,328,397). Read more.

Publications of the Institute for African Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences:

Gender-based violence in Africa: origins, motives, types. Coll. monograph.

Editors-in-chief: Ph.D. (History) N.L. Krylova, Ph.D. (History) N.A. Ksenofontova Moscow: IAS RAS, 2024, pp. 384. ISBN 978-5-91298-307-8

The collective monograph is devoted to such a painful problem of modern Africa as gender-based violence. The authors of the chapters, delving into the history of the issue, reveal the origins, causes, conditions and motives of this phenomenon.

Bibliography of books and pamphlets published by the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences (1960-2024).

Compiled by M.E. Bogoslovskaya, A.N. Ivanov - Moscow: IAS RAS, 2024, p. 174. ISBN 978-5-91298-308-5

The service sector in Africa. Collective monograph

Editor-in-chief, Ph.D. (Econ.) E.V. Morozenskaya - Moscow: IAS RAS, 2024, pp. 438. ISBN 978-5-91298-309-2

The monograph is devoted to the analysis of a wide range of problems related to the main types of activities in the service sector in African countries.

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Rwanda: 30 years of post-genocide development. Collection of articles.

Editor-in-chief, Ph.D. (History) T.S. Denisova - Moscow: IAS RAS, 2024, p. 266. ISBN 978-5-91298-311-5

The collection is dedicated to the problems faced by Rwanda during one of the most difficult periods of its history, after the 1994 genocide.

Banshchikova A. A., Bryndina V. N., Ivanchenko O. V. Between chains and a book: historical memory of the Arab-Swahili slave trade of the 19th century in island and mainland Tanzania.

Editor-in-chief: Corresponding Member of the RAS, Ph.D. (History) D.M. Bondarenko - Moscow: IAS RAS, 2024, p. 300. ISBN 978-5-6052752-2-0

Based on the materials of field research conducted by the authors in Zanzibar, Pemba and mainland Tanzania in 2018-2024, the monograph examines the historical memory of the Arab-Swahili slave trade of the 19th century and its impact on modern interethnic and race relations in the country.

Cross-border population movements: limitations and prospects of international regulation in the context of the migration crisis. Collective monograph

Editor-in-chief, S.A. Gorokhov - Moscow: Institute for African Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, 2024, p. 252. ISBN 978-5-91298-310-8

The monograph is devoted to identifying limitations and establishing prospects for political regulation of cross-border population movements in the context of the migration crisis.

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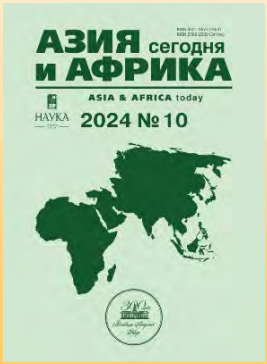

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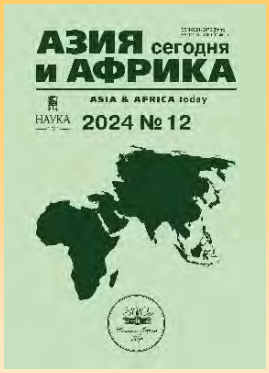

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