

PPA

Political Parties in Africa


Virtual Conference Programme

21 & 22 January 2021

18 & 19 February 2021

Thursday, 21 January 2021¹

15:00 WELCOME

PPA Team

15:15 SESSION 1: INTRA-PARTY POLITICS I

Chair: Jeremy Seekings (University of Cape Town)

Presidential Candidate Selection and Factionalism in Five Dominant Parties in Sub-Saharan Africa

Machiko Tsubura (Institute of Developing Economies)

Gender and Party Discipline: Evidence from Africa's Emerging Party Systems

Amanda Clayton (Vanderbilt University)

Pär Zetterberg (Uppsala University)

Discussants: Nicolas Cheeseman (University of Birmingham)

Tumi Makgetla (Yale University)

16: 35 BREAK (15 minutes)

16:50 SESSION 2: INTRA-PARTY POLITICS II

Chair: George Bob-Milliar (Kwame Nkrumah University)

Paying Party Brokers: How Patronage Sustains Machine Parties

Sarah Brierley (London School of Economics)

Noah Nathan (University of Michigan)

Organizing for Success: The Effect of Intra-Party Democracy on Local Level Party Presence

Matthias Krönke (University of Cape Town)

Sarah J. Lockwood (Columbia University)

Discussants: Jeffrey Paller (University of San Francisco)

Aytug Sasmaz (Harvard University)

18:10 CLOSING

¹ Time specification in the programme is following Central African (Cape Town) time.

Friday, 22 January 2021

15:00 OPENING

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15:15 SESSION 3: CAMPAIGN MOBILIZATION I

Chair: Carl LeVan (American University)

Activism on the Radio: How Party Activists Communicate Public Policies in Ghana

George Bob-Milliar (Kwame Nkrumah University)

'Tis the Campaign Season: Social and Institutional Conditions of Mobilization in Ghana

Jeffrey Paller (University of San Francisco)

George Bob-Milliar (Kwame Nkrumah University)

Discussants: Dominika Koter (Colgate University)
Eloïse Bertrand (University of Warwick)

16:35 BREAK (15 minutes)

16:50 SESSION 4: CAMPAIGN MOBILIZATION II

Chair: Dominika Koter (Colgate University)

Explaining the Evolution of Opposition Political Mobilization in Zambia, 1991-2001

Muna

Ngenda (SOAS University of London)

Who is Canvassing Whom? Party-Citizen Engagement in Africa

Robert Mattes (Strathclyde University)

Sarah J. Lockwood (Columbia University)

Matthias Krönke (University of Cape Town)

Discussants: Sarah Brierley (London School of Economics)
Nicole Beardsworth (University of Pretoria)

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Thursday, 18 February 2021

15:00 OPENING

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15:15 SESSION 5: VOTING

Chair: Rachel Beatty Riedl (Cornell University)

Regional Cleavages in African Politics: Persistent Electoral Blocs and Territorial Oppositions

Catherine Boone (London School of Economics)

Michael Wahman (Michigan State University)

Andrew Linke (University of Utah)

The Effects of the Economic Freedom Fighters on Black South African's Political Behaviour

Robert Nyenhuis (Cal Poly Pomona)

Matthias Krönke (University of Cape Town)

A Race to the Top? Ballot Order and Political Selection

Tumi Makgetla (Yale University)

Discussants: Rachel Beatty Riedl (Cornell University)

Robert Mattes (Strathclyde University)

16: 55 BREAK (20 minutes)

17:15 SESSION 6: CANDIDATE SELECTION

Chair: Sarah J Lockwood (Columbia University)

Attracting Affluence: A Decentralized Theory of Incumbent Party Resource Advantage with Evidence from Malawi

Michael Wahman (Michigan State University)

Merete Bech Seeberg (Aarhus University)

Career Background and Electoral Campaign Strategy in African Democracies

(Vanderbilt University)

(Southern Methodist University)

Keith Weghorst

Karisa Cloward

Is Top-Down Moderation Accepted by Islamist Party Activists? The Case of Ennahda in Tunisia

Aytug Sasmaz (Harvard University)

Alexandra Blackman (Cornell University)

Julia Clark (University of California, San Diego)

Discussants: Sarah J Lockwood (Columbia University)

Amanda Clayton (Vanderbilt University)

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Friday, 19 February 2021

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15:15 SESSION 7: PARTY BUILDING AND DECAY I

Chair: Robert Mattes (Strathclyde University)

The Past of the Present: Party Building During the One-Party State and Its Implications for Contemporary African Democracies

Nicholas Cheeseman (University of Birmingham)

Opposition Party Institutionalization in Uganda

Eloïse Bertrand (University of Warwick)

Michael Mutyaba (SOAS University of London)

The Ruling Coalition and Inter-Party Democracy in Ghana: A Conceptual Analysis

Kojo Impraim (University of Cape Town)

Discussants: Nicolas van de Walle (Cornell University)

Rachel McLellan (London School of Economics)

16: 55 BREAK (20 minutes)

17:15 SESSION 8: PARTY BUILDING AND DECAY II

Chair: Robert Nyenhuis (Cal Poly Pomona)

Party fragility and voter fluidity: The demise of the Movement for Multiparty Democracy in Zambia

Jeremy Seekings (University of Cape Town)

Franchising the Party? Local Party Building in Zambia and Burkina Faso

Nicole Beardsworth (University of Pretoria)

Eloïse Bertrand (University of Warwick)

Discussants: Michael Wahman (Michigan State University)

Keith Weghorst (Vanderbilt University)

18:35 CLOSING AND OUTLOOK

Daily start time by Time Zone

Cape Town: 15:00

Tokyo: 22:00

London: 13:00

New York: 8:00

Los Angeles: 5:00

Queries

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