

# African Order, Global Order: A Scrutiny of Diplomatic Borderlands

## Final Report

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### Description of workshop

Our workshop was held at the Department of Political Studies, University of Cape Town, South Africa on 16-17 February 2018. Despite three last minute cancellations, it was a great success. We had six presenters and, in addition to this, discussed the paper of one absentee:

Presenters:

- Annette Seegers, *What's in a Name? South African Foreign Policy after 1994*
- Thomas Tiekou, *Stirring the Pot: The African Union and the International Order*
- Katharina Coleman, *UN Peacekeeping Operations: Mapping African diplomacy in the Borderlands between African and Global Orders*
- Markus Kornprobst, *World-Africa, Africa-World: Processes of Shaping World Order*
- Sanusha Naidu, *The Belt Road Initiative and the Asia Africa Growth Corridor: Redefining African Agency?*
- Laura Freeman, *Speaking to a domestic audience amid African outrage: An examination of Zuma's (undiplomatic) speeches following xenophobic attacks in South Africa in 2015*

We also discussed Stefan Gänzle's paper, entitled *Governance Dynamics and Behavioural Patterns in the Commission of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS): How regional diplomats navigate political orders*

Stefan Gänzle, Charlotte Mafumbo, Eghosa Osaghae had to cancel their attendance a few days before the workshop happened. All three are committed to stay in this project and contribute chapters to the edited volume (for further details see below).

Jean-Emmanuel Pondi indicated earlier that he could not attend. We replaced him with Laura Freeman, who was on the list of alternates.

### Plans for future publications

We have already approached Andrew Humphreys who edits the politics titles at Routledge. He is very interested in publishing our collection of papers as edited volume in the *Routledge New Diplomacy Series*. The tentative title is *Orders of Africa, Orders of the World: How Diplomats Navigate Borderlands*.

All contributors (Seegers, Coleman, Tiekou, Kornprobst, Naidu, Freeman, Gänzle, Mafumbo, Osaghae) are fully committed to this process. One of us – Markus Kornprobst – will meet Jean-Emmanuel Pondi in May and discuss his involvement with the project. Additionally, a

number of other scholars have expressed in interested in joining the project. These include Jan Erk (University of Stellenbosch) and Sekito Zaid (Makerere University).

We agreed with the contributors upon the following schedule for publishing the workshop proceedings:

- Finalise introduction, 31 March 2018.
- Finalise papers, 31 July 2018.
- Send manuscript to Routledge by 31 August 2018.