Thursday

TA01: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Regional and International Organizations in African Security

Room: G07, University of Ghana
Chair: Densua Mumford (Leiden University)
Disc.: Stephen Burgess (U.S. Air War College)
African Regional Peace and Security Norms from the OAU to the AU
Kathryn Nash (University of Edinburgh)
Political Precedents in African International Affairs: Reverberations from Zimbabwe’s “Military Assisted Transition”
Philani Hlopha Dhlamini (Research Institute for European & American Studies)

TA02: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
International Political Economy: Global and Domestic Interactions

Room: G09, University of Ghana
Chair: Timothy M. Shaw (University of Massachusetts Boston)
Disc.: Manuel Preusser (FLACSO Ecuador)
External Dependence and Opportunistic Diversification in The ‘Mauritius Miracle’: The Political Economy of Mauritius’ Offshore Finance Sector
Pritish Behuria (University of Manchester)
African Agency in Global City Networks
Fritz Nganje (University of Johannesburg)
Africa as One Economic Unit: A crude methodology, the Problem with Economics
Isaac Abotebuno Akolgo (St Mary’s Technical/Vocational Institute)

TA03: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Understanding governance: Policy Networks, Reflexivity and Accountability

Room: LH1, University of Ghana
Chair: Stanislas Bigirimana (Africa University)
Disc.: Lena Partzsch (University of Freiburg)
From Global Standards to Local Action: Conceptualizing Agency in the Context of Ghana’s Adoption of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI).
Hevina S. Dashwood (Brock University)
Uwafokun Idemudia (York University)
Kernaghan Webb (Ryerson University)
Transparency and accountability in international trade in minerals and timber products: Are new standards improving the agency of affected communities?
Lena Partzsch (University of Freiburg)

TA04: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Roundtable
The Domestic Security Implications of Contributing Troops and Police to UN Peacekeeping Missions

Room: LH2, University of Ghana
Chair: Emma Birikorang (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC))
Part. Peter Albrecht (Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS))
Part. Mustapha Abdallah (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre)
Part. Eva Dzegblor (University of Ghana)
Part. PETER BEMBIR (UNIVERSITY OF GHANA)
Part. Deborah Atobrah (University of Ghana)
Part. Maya Mynster Christensen (Royal Danish Defence College)

TA05: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Panel
Reintroducing women, peace and security

Room: 107, University of Ghana
Chair: Andrea M. Lopez (Susquehanna University)
Disc.: Peace A. Medie (University of Ghana)
Questioning the Feminist Peace: How Measures of Gender Equality, Regional Variation, and Time Period Affect the Empowerment-Peace Hypothesis
Kelly M. Kadera (University of Iowa)
Laura Sjoberg (University of Florida)
Cameron G. Thies (Arizona State University)
Relationally undecided: unsettling “comfort women” discourse at the WAM
Anna-Karin Eriksson (Linnaeus University)
‘Local’ conflicts, global frameworks: Re-viewing the women, peace and security agenda through the lens of women and the Boko Haram crisis
Titilope Ajayi (University of Ghana)

TA06: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Panel
International Security: the Emerging Role of the Global South

Room: 108, University of Ghana
Chair: T. V. Paul (McGill University)
Disc.: Philippe M. Frowd (University of Ottawa)
Delegation or take over? How the global south is steering global security policy – a view from Africa
Marta Inguez De Heredia (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)
“Nothing about us without us”: how alternative are the initiatives on peace and development coming from the Global South?
Isabel Rocha de Siqueira (IRI/PUC-Rio)
Accounting for agency in negotiating the maritime security architecture of the Gulf of Guinea.
Frederick Boamah (University of Ghana)
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| TA07: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM | Translocal social movement learning in Ghana and South Africa | Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana | Chair: Jonathan Langdon (St. Francis Xavier University)  
Disc: Kofi Larweh (Radio Ada/Ghana Community Radio Network)  
Disc: Anne Harley (University of KwaZulu-Natal)  
Part: Mary Akuteh (Yihi Katseme Ada Songor Salt Women’s Association)  
Part: Sophia Kitcher (Yihi Katseme Ada Songor Salt Women’s Association)  
Part: Sheena Cameron (Ontario Institute for the Study of Education (OISE)) | Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)  
Richard Aidoo (Coastal Carolina University)  
Ghana’s Agency in the Global Economy: A Turn from Neoliberalism to a Chinese-Driven Development Model: Daniel Abankwa (University of Delaware) |
| TA08: Thursday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM | African Agency in International Politics | Room: LH3, University of Ghana | Chair: Eka Ikpe (African Leadership Centre, King’s College London)  
Disc: Gilbert Khadiagala (Kent University)  
Disc: Thomas Kwasi Tieku (King’s, University of Western Ontario) | Mohamed Sesay (York University)  
Julius Heise (University of Marburg)  
Maria Ketzmerick (Philips-Universität Marburg)  
Benjamin Adu Gyamfi (University of Calgary)  
Sylvia Bawa (York University)  
Grace Adeniyi Ogunyankin (Carleton University) |
| TB01: Thursday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | Locating Ideas and Related Practices in Global South IR and Foreign Policy | Room: G07, University of Ghana | Part: Betty Nelly Sedoc-Dahlberg (Emeritus)  
Part: Paul G. Adogamhe (University of Wisconsin-Whitewater) | Two Distant Giants: China and Nigeria Perceive Each Other: Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)  
China’s Diplomacy in Africa: Exploring Post-Development: Richard Aidoo (Coastal Carolina University)  
Ghana’s Agency in the Global Economy: A Turn from Neoliberalism to a Chinese-Driven Development Model: Daniel Abankwa (University of Delaware) |
| TB02: Thursday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | South-South Cooperation | Room: G09, University of Ghana | Chair: Emma Birikorang (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPPTC))  
South-South Cooperation: building bridges between Latin America and Africa: Andrea Molinari (Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas)  
A more complex story is needed: theorizing solidarity in the South: Isabel Rocha de Siqueira (IRI/PUC-Rio) | Two Distant Giants: China and Nigeria Perceive Each Other: Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)  
China’s Diplomacy in Africa: Exploring Post-Development: Richard Aidoo (Coastal Carolina University)  
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| TB04: Thursday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | Social media and elections in West Africa: Mobilisation, disinformation and the role of ‘fake news’ | Room: LH2, University of Ghana | Chair: Jonathan Fisher (University of Birmingham)  
Part: Rodrick Henry (University of Dar es Salaam)  
Part: Jamie Hitchen (Independent researcher) | Grace Adeniyi Ogunyankin  (Carleton University)  
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Grace Adeniyi Ogunyankin  (Carleton University) |
| TB07: Thursday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | Non-Western Perspectives on International Relations | Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana | Chair: Takiyah Harper-Shipman (Davidson College)  
Disc: Jo-Ansie van Wyk (University of South Africa) | Two Distant Giants: China and Nigeria Perceive Each Other: Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)  
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| TB08: Thursday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | Conceptions of Tradition, Education and Development in the Global South | Room: LH3, University of Ghana | Chair: Singumbe Muyeba (University of Denver)  
Disc: Birgit Poopuu (University of Tartu and Aberystwyth University) | Two Distant Giants: China and Nigeria Perceive Each Other: Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)  
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Ghana’s Agency in the Global Economy: A Turn from Neoliberalism to a Chinese-Driven Development Model: Daniel Abankwa (University of Delaware) |
| TC01: Thursday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM | Agency Problems in Diverse Contexts: A Global Perspective | Room: G07, University of Ghana | Chair: Pritish Behuria (University of Manchester)  
Disc: Peter Genger (University of Manitoba) | Two Distant Giants: China and Nigeria Perceive Each Other: Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)  
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Recipient agency in international development cooperation: Haitian reflections on agency in relation to aid donors and cooperation partners.

Katarzyna Baran (PhD Candidate, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge)

TC02: Thursday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  Panel
Global International Relations: Emerging Approaches to Theory and Practice

Room: G09, University of Ghana

Chair: Moda Dieng (Saint Paul University, School of Conflict Studies, Ottawa)
Disc. Peter Brett (Queen Mary - University of London)

The importance of practical critical theory for a study of the influence of Global South actors
Adeelah Kodabux (Middlesex University)

‘Agency’ as Social Death: Unpacking International Relations’ Theoretical Framework
Sarah Then Bergh (Cornell University)

Reimagining the Global Order: Perspectives from the Global South
Michelle Small (University of the Witwatersrand)

Panel

TC03: Thursday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  Panel
Governing Financial Spaces/Activities in the Global South

Room: LH1, University of Ghana

Chair: Kristina Jonsson (Lund University)
Disc. Timothy M. Shaw (University of Massachusetts Boston)

Africa’s Emerging Financial Centres: CBDs, Gateways and Zones
Elizabeth L. Cobbett (University of East Anglia)

‘Structural conflict’ and Global South’s climate finance demands
Nicholas Chan (Monash University Malaysia)

Integrating into Global Finance: the politics of banking regulation in African countries
Emily Jones (University of Oxford)

Panel

TC05: Thursday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  Panel
Local and Regional Perspectives on International Relations in Africa and Beyond

Room: 107, University of Ghana

Chair: Lembe Tiky (University of Connecticut)
Disc. Fritz Nganje (University of Johannesburg)

Aid: When Identity Matters more than Interests
Syed M. Murshed (ISS and COVENTRY University)

Small states and new status opportunities: Estonia’s foreign policy towards Africa
Mari Liis Sulg (University of Tartu)
Matthew Crandall (Tallinn University)

Kenya in South- South Cooperation
Claire Amuhaya (People’s Friendship University of Russia)

Panel

TC06: Thursday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  Panel
L’Afrique à l’épreuve de l’intercontinentalité

Apoli Kameni (Université Omar Bongo)

Dynamiques des Processus d’Intégration Régionale en Afrique Centrale : Aspects Geo-Spatiaux et Temporels
Steeve Nzehgo Dieko (Université Omar Bongo)

Panel

TC08: Thursday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  Panel
International Studies Literacy: A Workshop on Intro Class Approaches

Room: G07, University of Ghana

Chair: Mark A. Boyer (University of Connecticut)
Chair: Peace A. Medie (University of Ghana)

Panel

TD01: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  Panel
Gender and Security: Feminist Perspectives

Room: G09, University of Ghana

Chair: Bugra Susler (London School of Economics and Political Science)
Disc. Peace A. Medie (University of Ghana)

A Woman’s World? Exploring Women’s Participation in the Arms Trade
Laura Sjoberg (University of Florida)

It’s Not About You: Feminism, Anti-Militarization, and the Limitations of Hypocrisy as a Form of Political Critique
Katharine Millar (London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE))

“Exploring the Agency of the Global South: Narratives of Marginalization and Victimization in Cape Town, South Africa”
Simone Martin (LIU-Brooklyn)

Interrogating Regional Efforts towards countering Gender-based Effects of Terrorism in the Lake Chad Basin
Afua Boatemaa Yakohene (Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy, University of Ghana, Legon)

Panel

TD02: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  Panel
Regional development banks in/and the Global South

Room: LH1, University of Ghana

Chair: Elizabeth L. Cobbett (University of East Anglia)

African Exchanges Linkage Project: (geo)politics of connecting financial power
Elizabeth L. Cobbett (University of East Anglia)

Financialisation all the way down: The role of Regional Development Banks in promoting and producing the financial inclusion agenda.
Jonathon Louth (University of South Australia)

Competing or complementing? The relationship between regional development banks and regional organisations in Africa and Latin America
Frank Matheis (University of Pretoria)

Aid Blending and the role of the EIB in EU-Africa Relations
Sophia Price (Leeds Beckett University)

Panel

TD03: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  Panel
External and Local Agency of Peacebuilding

Room: LH1, University of Ghana

Disc. Eka Ikpe (African Leadership centre, King’s college London)

Peace Processes, Armed Groups and Decision-Making Models: A Comparative Case of the Central African Republic and South Sudan
Kevin M. DeJesus (Johnson and Wales University)
Taking the local seriously – Insights from Civil Peace Services  
Samantha Ruppel (Goethe University Frankfurt)

Beyond “The West versus the Rest” Divide: Exploring Synergies between the Global North and the Global South in the Study of Local Agency in Conflicts  
Solveig Richter (University of Erfurt, Willy Brandt School of Public Policy)  
Siddharth Tripathi (University of Erfurt)

Panel
TD04: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Foreign Policy and Security Revisited
Room: LH2, University of Ghana
Chair  Dennis C. Jett (Pennsylvania State University)
Disc.  Jerónimo Delgado Caicedo (Universidad Externado de Colombia)
21st Century EU-Africa Relations: Peace and Security Partnership  
Lola Raich (University of Vienna)
Contesting Sovereignty Norms through Intergovernmental Organizations  
Jan Lüdert (City University of Seattle)

Amilcar Cabral or the agency of politicians from the Global South in international affairs during the liberation war era (mid1960s to mid1970s) [ A case study of relations between Guinea-Bissau and Czechoslovakia, Sweden].

David Fistein (Gulf Coast State College)
The Formation of Nigeria’s National and Global Image: Challenges & Prospects  
Kafiat Adebayo (People’s friendship university of Russia (RUDN))

Panel
TD05: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Exploring African Agency in International Politics
Room: 107, University of Ghana
Chair  Nene-Lomotey Kuditchar (Department of Political Science, University of Ghana.)
Disc.  Osita Afoaku (Indiana University)
Punching above weight: The four pathways African actors exercise agency in Global affairs through the African Union  
Thomas Kwasi Tieku (King’s, University of Western Ontario)
The New Information Feudalism: how Africa relates to the global information society  
Odilile Ayodele (University of Johannesburg)
Bureaucratic Agency and the Institutional Development of ECOWAS  
Emmanuel A. Balogun (Webster University)
Agency in African Foreign Policies: The Sub-Regional Effect  
Stephen Burgess (U.S. Air War College)
Africa’s Search for Agency: Enumerating the Rationale and Ways That Ubuntu Can Be Mainstreamed to Achieve It  
Peter Genger (University of Manitoba)

Panel
TD06: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Anticolonialism, Black And African Political Thought, And International Relations
Room: 108, University of Ghana
Chair  Mohamed Sesay (York University)
Decolonizing knowledge and being: Cimarron contributions  
Arlene B. Tickner (Universidad del Rosario)
On the Ruins of Epistemicide: Decolonising International Solidarity through Blackness  
Olivia Umurerwa Rutazibwa (University of Portsmouth)
African Uprisings, African Archives: Contemporary Struggle and the Curation of Anticolonial Archives  
Shiera S. Malik (DePaul University)
Isaac A. Kamola (Trinity College)
A Conscience of Their Own: African Sensibilities and the 2011 ‘NATO-led’ Intervention in Libya  
Siba Grovogui (Cornell University)

Panel
TD07: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Critical Practices for Collectively Challenging Academic Imperialism
Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana
Chair  Nene-Lomotey Kuditchar (Department of Political Science, University of Ghana.)
Disc.  Osita Afoaku (Indiana University)
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TD08: Thursday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Globalization: Critical Reflections
Room: LH3, University of Ghana
Disc.  Matthew Crandall (Tallinn University)

NATURAL HAIR AND CULTURAL GLOBALISATION IN AFRICA: THE GHANAIAN EXPERIENCE.  
Araba Sam (Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy )
Towards Repositioning Agency of the Global South: Rethinking the National Agenda  
Raymond Awadzi (Florida International University )
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A Regional World: Territorial Development in a Global Economy
Room: G07, University of Ghana
Chair: Sophia Price (Leeds Beckett University)
Disc.: Prithish Behuria (University of Manchester)
New Wine in Old Bottles? The Political Economy of Ghana’s Family Planning Policies
Takiyah Harper-Shipman (Davidson College)
The rise of semiperipheral states in the global economy
Marilyn Grell-Brisk (Université de Neuchâtel)
The New Cartel in Town: Making sense of collective action among Nairobi’s Uber drivers
Julie Zollmann (The Fletcher School, Tufts University)

FA03: Friday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Conflicts and Peace Operations in the Global South
Room: LH1, University of Ghana
Chair: Folashade Soule (University of Oxford)
Disc.: Kelly M. Kadera (University of Iowa)
Doing Just Enough? Military Intervention and Counterinsurgency by African States in Africa
Andrea M. Lopez (Susquehanna University)
Why There Is No African Solution to the Problems of African Peacekeeping
Dennis C. Jett (Pennsylvania State University)
Global South and the Use of Force to Protect Civilians in UN Peacekeeping:
Military Culture, Strategic Interests and Reluctance
Peter Albrecht (Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS))
Peacekeeping and African armed forces
Sonia Le Gouriellec (Université catholique Lille)
Humanitarian Crises and the Global South: The future of humanitarianism from four Latin American emerging countries perspective
Oscar A. Gomez (Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University)

FA04: Friday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
International political economy dynamics and African statehoods
Room: LH2, University of Ghana
Chair: Eka Ikpe (African Leadership centre, King’s college London)
Disc.: Barney Walsh (Kings college London)
A new wave of Regionalism in Africa?
Emma Birikorang (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPCT))
Naila Salihu (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre)
The political economy of Regional Security in Central Africa
James Kewir Kiven (African Leadership Centre, Central African Cluster)
Regions and Power in Africa? President Museveni and the becoming of a Regional Security Complex in East Africa
Barney Walsh (Kings college London)
Livelihoods Impact of Climate Variability Adaptation Programs: A case of Katulu Social Innovation in Kitui County, Kenya
Herbert Wamalwa (University of Nairobi, Institute for Development Studies)

FA05: Friday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Actors and Institutions of Peace Operations in Global South
Room: 107, University of Ghana
Chair: Samantha Ruppel (Goethe University Frankfurt)
Disc.: Kevin M. Delesus (Johnson and Wales University)
The Challenges and Possibilities of Peacekeepers from Global South:
From a perspective of “Training of Trainers”
Hiromi Nagata Fujishige (Aoyama Gakuin University)
What Manner of Amnesty: Is Granting Amnesty to the Militants a Peace Making or Flawed Strategy
Zainab Mai-Bornu (University of Bath)
Harnessing the "soft powers" of local Interfaith Mediation Organizations (IMOs) to prevent youth recruitment by Violent Extremist (VE) movements in the Sahel region of Africa
Anatole France Pitroipa (University of Massachusetts in Boston)

FA06: Friday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Bridging International Relations and Postcolonialism
Room: 108, University of Ghana
Author: Betty Nelly Sedoc-Dahlberg (Emeritus)
Chair: Christopher Isike (University of Pretoria)
Disc.: James Busumtwi-Sam (Simon Fraser University)
The Bad Pasts of Good Norms: Identifying Postcolonial Silences and Agency in the Opium Ban
Devika Sharma (Assistant Professor, BITS Pilani, Dubai)
What Can We Learn From the First States? Core-periphery Relations in the Urban Revolution
Joshua Leon (Iona College)

FA07: Friday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Local, Non-State Actors and Human Rights
Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana
Chair: Rahul Rao (SOAS, University of London)
Disc.: Roisin Read (University of Manchester)
Right-claiming and the limit of emancipatory politics: the context of ethnic/marginalised communities
Andreja Zevnik (University of Manchester)
The Sources of Citizenship - the Nation, the State, the Local and the (Global) Subaltern
Christoffer Guldberg (King's College London)
Decolonising the Responsibility to Protect
Bolarinwa Adediran (The University of the West of England, Bristol)
African agency in the international human rights regime
Peter Brett (Queen Mary - University of London)

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African School of International Relations
Room: LH3, University of Ghana
Chair: Thomas Kwasi Tieku (King’s, University of Western Ontario)
Part. Peace A. Medie (University of Ghana)
Part. Densua Mumford (Leiden University)
Part. Jacqueline de Matos-Ala (University of the Witwatersrand)
Part. Gilbert Khadiagala (Kent University)

Conceptualising developmental statehood with the Ethiopian exemple: Considering interactions across the state and international political economy in the context of a ‘rising Africa’
Eka Ikpe (African Leadership centre, King’s college London)
FB01: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
The Practice of Human Rights in Contexts: Law, Politics, Morals, & Customs
Room: G07, University of Ghana

Chair: Jan Lüdert (City University of Seattle)
The limited potential of occupation, humanitarian and human rights law as a means of vindicating the Palestinian struggle
Ralph Wilde (University College London)
The Domestic Constraints to Incorporating Treaty Prohibitions Against Child Marriage
Andrea Vilan (Princeton University)
Global South Agency through Regional Institutions: Lessons from the African Human Rights System
Nicole De Silva (Concordia University)
The African Court of Justice and Human Rights: from an embattled relationship to an innovative International Court
Rui Garrido (ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa)

FB02: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
International Cooperation in Economic and Security Affairs
Room: G09, University of Ghana

Chair: Gabriel Rached (Universidade Federal Fluminense & Università degli Studi di Milano)
The Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD): Benefits, Challenges, and the Shift in Regional Politics
Steven C. Roach (University of South Florida)
Derrick K. Hudson (Colorado School of Mines)
“El imperialismo es un tigre de papel”? Imperialism, hierarchy and hegemony in times of BRICS [or: BRICS in temporal walls of a changing world]
Roberto Vinicius P.S. Gama (independent researcher - Brazil)
Maritime Insecurity in the Gulf of Guinea: Prospects and Challenges for Regional Maritime Security Cooperation
Paul G. Adogamhe (University of Wisconsin-Whitewater)
Cooperation as Public Policy and its Problems for the Foreign Policy of Cooperating Countries
Mojana V. C. Silva (UFPB - Universidade Federal da Paraíba)

FB03: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
Global and Regional Hegemonic Rivalries
Room: LH1, University of Ghana

Disc. Steven F. Jackson (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)
Status Competition and Enduring Rivalries: Understanding India’s Conflicts with China and Pakistan
T. V. Paul (McGill University)
Turkey and the Horn of Africa – Islam, Commercialism and Humanitarian Policy
Bugra Susler (London School of Economics and Political Science)
John C. Alden (London School of Economics and Political Science)

FB04: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
Room: LH2, University of Ghana

Chair: Patrick James (University of Southern California)
Creating South Sudan? Considering creativity as a space of agency and resistance in peace and nation building
Roisin Read (University of Manchester)
Securitizing “the Future of Togoland”: Silence and Agency in the United Nations Trusteeship System
Julius Heise (University of Marburg)

FB05: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
Contested Identities, Religion and Conflict
Room: 107, University of Ghana

Chair: Teivo Teivainen (University of Helsinki)
Competition and Representation in Religious Expertise: The Case of Radical Islamic Organizations
Nukhet A. Sandal (Ohio University)

FB06: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
Language, Knowledge, Method: Global South and the Reimaging of IR Theory
Room: 108, University of Ghana

Chair: Olivia Umurerwa Rutazibwa (University of Portsmouth)
African Fabulations: Forgiveness, and the Will-to-Convert
Sam O. Opondo (Vassar College)
Aggregating Knowledge on the Global South: The Role of Comparative Area Studies and the Logic of Cross-Regional Contextualized Comparison
Rudra Sil (University of Pennsylvania)
Analyzing Knowledge Diplomacy from the Perspective of the Global South - An Opportunity or Another Barrier?
Ariel Macaspac Hernandez (German Development Institute)

FB07: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
External Pressures and Domestic Agency in Fragile and Post-Conflict States
Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana

Chair: Cameron G. Thies (Arizona State University)
Colonial Rule and the Emergence of Revolutionary Rebel Groups
Megan Stewart (American University)
Calvin Elison (American University)
Post-Conflict Leaders and Investment Choices in Africa
Scott D. Taylor (Georgetown University)
Systemic Pressures on Reform-Minded Leaders in Civil Wars
Lise Morje Howard (Georgetown University)
**FB08: Friday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM**
**Agency of Women in Global South & the Creation of Global Governance**

**Room: LH3, University of Ghana**

- **Chair**: Kelly M. Kadera (University of Iowa)
- **Disc.**: Jessi Hanson-DeFusco (University of Pittsburgh)
- **Disc.**: Roisin Read (University of Manchester)

Agency as Necessity, Hardship, and Paradox for Women of Lesotho

- **Nancy Wright** (Pace University)

Evolving Security Council Practices: The Role of the Global South

- **Vincent Pouliot** (McGill University)

Collusion or Convergence? Financial Inclusion, Ambiguity, and the Empowerment of Global South Actors in Financial Governance

- **Tyler Girard** (Western University)

Developing women’s political agency in Africa as a soft power resource

- **Christopher Isike** (University of Pretoria)

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**FC01: Friday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM**
**The Foreign Policies of the Global South: Rethinking Conceptual Frameworks**

**Room: G07, University of Ghana**

- **Chair**: Lise Morje Howard (Georgetown University)
- **Disc.**: Siba Grovogui (Cornell University)

Common Positions as Diplomatic Agency: An assessment

- **Jo-Ansie van Wyk** (University of South Africa)

Ubuntu Diplomacy meet Kimchi Diplomacy: Soft Power Lessons from South Korea to South Africa

- **Fatimaah J Menefee** (American Graduate School in Paris)

The role of cities in the foreign policy of emerging powers: The cases of Bogotá, Colombia and Johannesburg, South Africa

- **Jerónimo Delgado Caicedo** (Universidad Externado de Colombia)

South-South Cooperation in the 21st Century and Beyond: Toward a Theory of Heterarchy

- **Nene-Lomotey Kuditchar** (Department of Political Science, University of Ghana.)

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**FC04: Friday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM**
**Discourse and Management of Migration from/in Global South**

**Room: LH2, University of Ghana**

- **Chair**: Kerstin Fisk (Loyola Marymount University)

African Union Joint Labour Migration Programme: A critical review of its Roadmap

- **Mary Setrana** (University of Ghana)

A Triple Disadvantage? Explaining the Impact of Visa Policies on Tied High Skilled Migrant Women

- **Natasha Duncan** (Purdue University)

How security turmoil in the Sahel is helping Niger renegotiate its influence in global affairs

- **Leonard Colomba Petteng** (Sciences Po Paris)

Rethinking the ‘gender faces’ in remittances, migration and development discourses

- **Jemima Baada** (Western University)

Escaping Drought to Poverty and loss of Every Other Right: The Sahelian Migrants in Ghana

- **Kwame Nimoh** (Independent Researcher)
FD04: Friday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
**Meet the Journal Editors - Publishing in Journals**  
**Room: LH2, University of Ghana**  
Chair: Krista E. Wiegand (University of Tennessee)  
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Part. Arlene B. Tickner (Universidad del Rosario)  
Part. Shareen Hertel (University of Connecticut)  
Part. Mark A. Boyer (University of Connecticut)  
Part. Maame Abena Mensa-Bonsu (University of Oxford)

FD05: Friday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
**L'Ecole Africaine des Relations Internationales**  
**Room: 107, University of Ghana**  
Chair: Lembe Tiky (University of Connecticut)  
Disc. Patrice Moundounga Mouity (Université Omar Bongo)  
Disc. Moda Dieng (Saint Paul University, School of Conflict Studies, Ottawa)  
Disc. Fweley Diangitukwa (Université Omar Bongo)  
Part. Steeve Nzehgo Dieko (Université Omar Bongo)  
Part. Apoli Kameni (Université Omar Bongo)

Saturday

SA01: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM  
**Panel**  
**Perspectives on the Migration-Development Nexus**  
**Room: G07, University of Ghana**  
Chair: Mary Setrana (University of Ghana)  
Disc. David Fisteen (Gulf Coast State College)  
Loyalty from Abroad? The Political Engagement of the Jamaican and Trinidad and Tobagonian Diasporas  
Natasha Duncan (Purdue University)  
The Migration-Development Nexus in Africa-EU Relations: The Paradox of Free Trade Deals  
Sophia Price (Leeds Beckett University)  
Mark Langan (University of Leicester)  
The Global South’s Solution: The value of the migration for the decline of the economy  
Yingliang Zhang (Zhejiang Normal University )

SA02: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM  
**Panel**  
**Not Just a Recipient of the International: Africa at the Center of Global Governance**  
**Room: G09, University of Ghana**

SA03: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM  
**Panel**  
**Political Economy, Representation and Sustainable Development**  
**Room: LH1, University of Ghana**  
Chair: Michael J. Tierney (College of William and Mary)  
Disc. Thiago Galvao (University of Brasilia)  
Leaving no one behind? Statistical capacity, big data, and the sustainable development goals  
Daniel DeRock (University of Amsterdam)  
Gender and political representation in Ghana’s energy landscape  
Naaborle Sackeyfo (Miami University of Ohio)

SA04: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM  
**Panel**  
**Problems of Traditional and Non-Traditional Security and Foreign Policy**  
**Room: LH2, University of Ghana**  
Chair: Kathryn Nash (University of Edinburgh)  
Disc. Paul G. Adogamhe (University of Wisconsin-Whitewater)  
Russian Foreign Policy in Central Europe: The Cases of Hungary and Poland  
Anna Batta (US Air War College)  
China, Ethiopia, Djibouti: a triumvirate for the Horn of Africa?  
Sonia Le Gouriellec (Université catholique Lille)

SA05: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM  
**Panel**  
**Performance of Regional Organisations in Global South**  
**Room: 107, University of Ghana**  
Chair: Juliana Appiah (University of Ghana)  
Disc. Andrea M. Lopez (Susquehana University)  
Ethnonationalist War and The Mediator Role of Regional Organization in Africa: The Case of IGAD Intervention In South Sudan  
Victor Fakoya (University of Nevada Las Vegas)  
Constructing Energy Regionalism in West Africa: The role of ideas and agency in shaping energy governance and diplomacy  
Michael Amoah Awuah (University of Bonn)
The Enigma of Regional Integration in East Africa
Elorm Mawuli-Kwawu (Legon Center for International Affairs and Diplomacy (LECIAD), University of Ghana.)

Room: 108, University of Ghana
Production and Consumption of Knowledge in the Global South

Chair T. V. Paul (McGill University)
Disc. Nicholas Chan (Monash University Malaysia)

Currents of Knowledge: Knowledge Production in the Global South
Informing Global North Pedagogy and Practice
Jessica Scott (West Virginia Wesleyan College)
Coty Martin (West Virginia Wesleyan College)
Tamara Bailey (West Virginia Wesleyan College)

When the South Divides the North: The Politics of Knowledge in Burundi
Stanislas Bigirimana (Africa University)

Do Knowledge Production Mechanisms affect the Making of Populist Politics? Social Media, the Intelligentsia and Refugee Politics
Ozge Ozduzen (Loughborough University London)
Umut Korkut (Glasgow Caledonian University)

North or South: Is Knowledge Produced or Discovered?
Elias Courson (Niger Delta University)

SA07: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Panel
International Political Economy: Markets, Taxes, and Power
Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana

Chair Isaac A. Kamola (Trinity College)
Post-Katowice energy futures and the risk of premature deindustrialization
Rasmus A. Karlsson (Umeå University, Sweden)
Skipping the Line: How Decentralized Energy Technologies may change Development and Economic Policies in the Global South
Nils T. Andresen (Independent)

SOUTH – SOUTH COOPERATION: A BALANCE ON BRICS COUNTRIES ON THE XXI CENTURY
Gabriel Rached (Università degli Studi di Milano)
New(ish?) Wine in Old Wineskins: Tax, Development and White Supremacy
Phillip Beckles-Raymond (International Policy Professional)

SA08: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Panel
Postcolonial Perspectives: Security & Development
Room: LH3, University of Ghana

Chair Derrick K. Hudson (Colorado School of Mines)
The Role of the IGAD in Conflict Management in East Africa
Hassan E. Ahmed (University of Khartoum)
Rethinking Nationalism through the prism of Biafra and Ambazonia: A post-colonial perspective.
Michael Nzeadi (Tallinn University)

SA09: Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Panel
Electoral Incentives and Violence against Refugees
Kerstin Fisk (Loyola Marymount University)
Burcu Savun (University of Pittsburgh)

Room: LH2, University of Ghana

Chair Hassan E. Ahmed (University of Khartoum)
Disc. Eileen Doherty-Sil (University of Pennsylvania)
Brazilian Foreign Policy to Global South and public policies on health and sexual rights between 2015-2018
Thiago Galva (University of Brasilia)

SB05: Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Panel
Navigating between power and resistance: What does agency in the Global South look like?
Room: 107, University of Ghana

Chair Roisin Read (University of Manchester)
Disc. Krista E. Wiegand (University of Tennessee)
African Union Counterterrorism Cooperation: The Way Forward
Gertrude Ansaaku (LECIAD, University of Ghana)

Interstate Agreements to End Intrastate Conflict in Africa
Kathryn Nash (University of Edinburgh)
The Effect of Post-Conflict Peace-building Mechanisms on Reconciliation in Africa: The Case of Cote d'Ivoire.
Francis Abugbilla (University of Washington, Seattle)

SB06: Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Panel
Ethiopia in Transition?
Room: 108, University of Ghana

Chair John Ishiyama (University of North Texas)
Disc. Marijke Breuning (University of North Texas)
Disc. John Ishiyama (University of North Texas)
The Ethio-Eritrea rapprochement and the political transition in Ethiopia
Bantayehu Shiferaw Chanie (Bahir Dar University)
John Ishiyama (University of North Texas)
Half of the Cabinet: Explaining Ethiopia’s Move to Gender Equality in the Government and its Effects
Marijke Breuning (University of North Texas)
### SB07: Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
**Panel**

**Ghana and South-South Engagement**

**Room:** Basement 02, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Naaborle Sackeyfo (Miami University of Ohio)

**Disc.:**  
Nene-Lomotey Kuditchar (Department of Political Science, University of Ghana.)

**Panel**

**Gandhi in Ghana**
Rahul Rao (SOAS, University of London)

The African University and China in Africa: Understanding the Agency and Contradictions in a Complex South-South Engagement
Abdul-Gafar Oshodi (Lagos State University)

‘Colonialism’s final frontier’: the African and Asian states’ interventions on the law of the sea
Kirsten Sellars (Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs, Australian National University)

Ghana Beyond Aid: A Move Towards South-South Cooperation?
Benjamin Adu Gyamfo (University of Calgary)

Decriminalising African languages and the African self in basic education in Ghana
PETER BEMBIR (UNIVERSITY OF GHANA)

### SB08: Saturday 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
**Panel**

**Trends in War and Security**

**Room:** LH3, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Moda Dieng (Saint Paul University, School of Conflict Studies, Ottawa)

**Disc.:**  
Erica Chenoweth (Harvard Kennedy School)

**Disc.:** Matthew Crandall (Tallinn University)

**Panel**

Life after Militancy: the Agency of ex-militants before, during and after Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration programs: Case study of Nigeria
Nyingilanyeofori Hannah Brown (University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA)

The Scope of Insecurity in the Horn of Africa – The case of Refugee Populations
Arhin Acheampong (University of Denver)

### SC01: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
**Roundtable**

**Applying temporally embedded agency to enable transformative intergenerational partnerships: Cases from Ghana, Côte d’Ivoire, Rwanda, Ethiopia and Canada**

**Room:** G07, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Carola Weil (McGill University)

**Part.:**  
Nii Addy (Assistant Professor (Research), Desautels Faculty of Management, McGill University)

**Part.:** Ernest Habanabakize (McGill University)

**Part.:** Rose Dodd (Ashesi University)

**Part.:** Aishat Abdu (McGill University)

### SC02: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
**Panel**

**Assessing Sustainable Development: Principles in Practice**

**Room:** G09, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Afua Boatemaa Yakohene (Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy, University of Ghana, Legon)

**Disc.:** Takiyah Harper-Shimapan (Davidson College)

‘Special circumstances’ and the politics of climate vulnerability: Africa within the UN climate change negotiations
Nicholas Chan (Monash University Malaysia)

**The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and Country Agency**

Kristina Jonsson (Lund University)

Rethinking the role of the European Union aid in the governance of the Andean region.
Juan Pablo Salazar Pozo (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences)

### SC03: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
**Panel**

**Contest, Resistance and Natural Resources in the Global South**

**Room:** LH1, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Ariel Macaspac Hernandez (German Development Institute)

**Disc.:**  
Hevina S. Dashwood (Brock University)

**Panel**

Dams and Social Contentions in Africa
Krista E. Wiegand (University of Tennessee)

The Distinctive Origins of Labor Militancy in the Commodity Sectors of the Global South: A Paired Comparison of the Platinum Belt in South Africa and the Oil Fields of Kazakhstan
Rudra Sil (University of Pennsylvania)

Agency of communities in CSR Accountability of Transnational Corporations: Case study of Nigeria.
Nyingilanyeofori Hannah Brown (University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA)

### SC04: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
**Panel**

**South-South Cooperation: Beyond the Washington Consensus**

**Room:** LH2, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Folashade Soule (University of Oxford)

**Disc.:** Stanislas Bigirimana (Africa University)

**Panel**

Brazil-Africa Energy and Security Cooperation in the South Atlantic: Between the Solidarity of South-South Cooperation and the Searching for Power?
Francesca Mercurio (University of São Paulo / King's College London)

Emerging Power Grand Strategies and African Agency in South-South Cooperation toward the Attainment of SDG 11
Singumbe Muyeba (University of Denver)

### SC05: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
**Panel**

**Game Changers? Emerging Donors and Conflict Affected States**

**Room:** 107, University of Ghana

**Chair:** Laura Sjoberg (University of Florida)

**Disc.:** Christopher Isike (University of Pretoria)

**Panel**

Fragile States and Weaponized Women
Kwesi W. Obeng (Oxfam International)

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**Gender, Sexuality, Justice and Conflict**

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SC07: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  
US - Africa Relations in the Era of Trump  
Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana

- Disc. Thomas Kwasi Tieku (King’s, University of Western Ontario)  
- Part. Stephen Burgess (U.S. Air War College)  
- Part. Gilbert Khadiagala (Kent University)  
- Part. Marijke Breuning (University of North Texas)  
- Part. John Ishiyama (University of North Texas)  
- Part. Scott D. Taylor (Georgetown University)  
- Part. Lise Morje Howard (Georgetown University)

SC08: Saturday 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM  
Narratives and Strategies of Violence, Resistance and Marginalization  
Room: LH3, University of Ghana

- Chair Patrick James (University of Southern California)  
  Brazilian Heavy Metal in Years of Lead: critique and the politics of resistance in late 20th Century  
  Roberto Vinicius P.S. Gama (Independent researcher - Brazil)  
  Between Nonviolence and Violence: A Comparative Analysis on the Dynamics of Choice in the Ogoni and Ijaw Movements in the Niger Delta  
  Zainab Mai-Borno (University of Bath)  
  Forced labor, vulnerability and physical coercion - How the current political situation and changes to legislation and enforcement are threatening the fight against forced labor  
  Christoffer Guldberg (King’s College London)

SD02: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
Rethinking International Relations Theory  
Room: G09, University of Ghana

- Chair Marilyn Grell-Brisk (Université de Neuchâtel)  
  Disc. Andrea Zevnik (University of Manchester)  
  Western, Non-Western and Global IR in the Classroom  
  Eileen Doherty-Sil (University of Pennsylvania)  
  Representational Politics in South-Based Transnational Movements  
  Teivo Teivainen (University of Helsinki)

SD03: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
Assembling UN Peacekeeping and Security Provision in Ghana  
Room: LH1, University of Ghana

- Chair Maya Mynster Christensen (Royal Danish Defence College)  
  Disc. Peter Albrecht (Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS))  
  Practicing International Peacekeeping at Home: The Formed Police Unit of Ghana  
  Emma Birikorang (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC))  
  Peacekeeping Practice in Ghana: An Examination of the Concept of Hybridity in Policing and Security Provision in the Tamale Metropolis  
  Mustapha Abdallah (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre)  
  Gendered issues in the domestic security implications of UN peacekeeping  
  Deborah Atohrah (University of Ghana)  
  Understanding variations in police performance in UN Peacekeeping and domestic policing in Ghana  
  Aubyn Festus Kofi (Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre)

SD04: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
Anti-Terrorism in West Africa Through Constructing a Community of Shared Future among ECOWAS States  
Room: LH2, University of Ghana

- Part. Francis Abubilla (University of Washington, Seattle)

SD05: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
Activism, Actors and Transformation in the Global South  
Room: 107, University of Ghana

- Chair Singumbe Muyeba (University of Denver)  
  Disc. Jonathan Langdon (St. Francis Xavier University)  
  Transnational Solidarity 4.0: How Do Collectives of Conscience in the Global South Transform Progressive Activism Globally?  
  Zoe Marks (Harvard Kennedy School)  
  Erica Chenoweth (Harvard Kennedy School)  
  The role of (protest-)art in the Syrian Revolution  
  Birgit Poopuu (University of Tartu and Aberystwyth University)  
  is Revolution a myth? Neoliberal Governmentality, resistant forces and state and societal transformation in Tunisia  
  Emel Akcali (Swansea University)

SD06: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
Transforming Care and Social Protection in the Global South  
Room: 108, University of Ghana

- Disc. Dennis C. Jett (Pennsylvania State University)  
  Substitute or Complement? An Investigation of Government-Sponsored Violence in Refugee Hosting Areas  
  Kerstin Fisk (Loyola Marymount University)  
  Transformation in Health Policy in Ghana – lessons learned for health system reform  
  Jennifer Prah Ruger (University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine)  
  Augustina Koduah (University of Ghana, School of Pharmacy)  
  Justice Nonvignon (University of Ghana)  
  Sarah Kim (University of Pennsylvania)  
  Sylvia Edem Amexo (University of Ghana, School of Public Health)  
  The Politics of Foreign Aids and the Development of Underdevelopment Forest Governance in Nigeria  
  Olugbenga Samuel Falase (Lead City University)

SD07: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM  
Explaining Regionalism in Global South  
Room: Basement 02, University of Ghana

- Chair Nukhet A. Sandal (Ohio University)  
  Disc. Bolanrinwa Adediran (The University of the West of England, Bristol)  
  Explaining the Empowerment of the ECOWAS Parliament  
  Densua Mumford (Leiden University)  
  Drafting, Implementing, Monitoring—The Policy-Making Contribution of the ECOWAS Commission and the Significance of External Partner Support  
  Lukas Maximilian Müller (University of Freiburg)  
  Found in translation? Humanitarian crisis, institutions and action in the ASEAN+3  
  Oscar A. Gomez (Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University)  
  Brazil: Clear Visions and their Contested Acceptance  
  DEVIKA MISRA (JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI.)
SD08: Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Militarisation and Intervention in the Sahel: Emerging Trends and Issues

Room: LH3, University of Ghana

Chair  James Rogers (University of Southern Denmark / Yale)
Part.  Philippe M. Frowd (University of Ottawa)
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