This roundtable will discuss challenges and possibilities of international exchanges in research and higher education, taking western and southern Africa as points of departure.

Gathering six experts in the field of African studies, specializing in different disciplines and languages, the discussion will focus on larger issues of policy making that might impact on international university exchanges as well as on specific questions related to research projects.

**Date:** September 8, at 10:15-12:00  
**Venue:** Lecture Hall I, University Main Building, Biskopsgatan 3, Uppsala

**Ruth Bush,** professor of Comparative Literatures and Cultures at the University of Bristol, and PI “The Creative Lives of African Universities” ERC Starting Grant  
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**Stefan Helgesson,** professor of English, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Stockholm University  
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