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West African Dynamics / Dynamiques ouest-africaines

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Forum for Africa Studies and Mande Studies Association

Thursday 28 January / jeudi le 28 janvier 2021, 14:00-18:00 CET



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WEBINAR: WEST AFRICAN DYNAMICS Wébinaire : Dynamiques ouest-africaines

This webinar, co-organized by the [Forum for Africa Studies at Uppsala University](#) and the [Mande Studies Association \(MANSA\)](#), aims to address ongoing social, political, environmental, and cultural processes in present-day West Africa. The purpose is to put the searchlight on a region that is often associated with conflict, instability, and terrorism. The Webinar gathers scholars with long-term research in West Africa. It will include an introduction followed by two round-tables: the first will focus on prospects for peace, democracy and gender equality; and the second will discuss the relevance of regional studies in a globalized world.

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14.00 – Technical instructions by **Oulia Makkonen**, Uppsala University (Sweden)

14:15 – Introductory Remarks by **Sten Hagberg**, Uppsala University (Sweden)

14:25-15.55 – Round-table 1: Prospects for Peace, Democracy and Gender Equality? – Collaborative Research, Grounded Policy, and Citizen Mobilization

Chair: **Kajsa Hallberg Adu**, Nordic Africa Institute (Sweden)

Participants: **Carole Ammann**, University of Amsterdam (Netherlands); **William Moseley**, Macalester College (USA); **Ludovic Kibora**, Institut des Sciences des Sociétés (Burkina Faso); **Joseph Hellweg**, Florida State University (USA); and **Bissè Blanche Danielle Adoh**, Université Peleforo Gon Coulibaly (Côte d'Ivoire)

16:00-16:15 Virtual Coffee Break

16:15-17:45 – Round-table 2: African Studies in the Global Village? – Transdisciplinarity and the Decolonization of Methodologies and Epistemologies

Chair: **Véronique Simon**, Uppsala University (Sweden)

Participants: **Maria Grosz-Ngaté**, Indiana University (USA); **Baba Coulibaly**, Institut des Sciences Humaines (Mali); **Rosa de Jorio**, University of North Florida (USA); **Chérif Keïta**, Carlton College (USA); and **Alain Sissao**, Institut des Sciences des Sociétés (Burkina Faso)

17:45-18:00 – Closing Remarks by **Sten Hagberg**, Uppsala University (Sweden)

18:00 – End of the Webinar

UPCOMING CO-ORGANIZED MANSA/FORUM FOR AFRICA STUDIES EVENT:

MANSA@UU2021: Beyond Crisis and Insecurity in West Africa

International West Africa Conference 16-20 June 2021 co-organized by the Mande Studies Association and Forum for Africa Studies

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