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Launching of the New Uppsala University's Forum for Africa Studies

Lansering av nya *Forum för Afrikastudier vid Uppsala universitet*

Friday 14 April 2023, 9:00-16:00

Lecture Hall IV, Uppsala University's main building, Biskopsgatan 3

- 9:00-10:15 ***Session 1: Launching & Introduction – Uppsala University's Forum for Africa Studies***
Chair: Professor Kajsa Ahlstrand, Dept. of Theology & Chairperson of Forum for Africa Studies
- 9:00 Professor **Kajsa Ahlstrand**, Chairperson Forum for Africa Studies: *Welcome and Introductory Remarks*
- 9:15 Professor **Anders Hagfeldt**, Vice-Chancellor: *Uppsala University's Africa Initiative*
- 9:35 Professor **Sten Hagberg**, Director Forum for Africa Studies: *Engaging Higher Education and Research with Africa*
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:45-12:15 ***Session 2: Younger Scholars' Presentations – Current Africa Research at Uppsala University***
Chair: Professor Birgitta Essén, Dept. of Women's and Children's Health & Board-member of Forum for Africa Studies
- 10:45 **Emy Lindberg**, Doctoral Student in Cultural Anthropology: *On the gift economy of football jerseys and the obligation to give back among Ghanaian football migrants*
- 11:00 **Emma Sundström**, Doctoral Student in Theology: *Conversion to Empowerment: Conversion Narratives of Tanzanian Lutheran Christians from a Muslim Background*
- 11:15 **Rosie Duivenbode**, Doctoral Student in International Maternal and Reproductive Health & Medical Humanities: *Post-migration practices of female genital cutting: competing narratives and the quest for successful legal prosecutions*
- 11:30 **Kalkidan Yohannes Olkamo**, Doctoral Student in Global Health: *Addressing the needs of Ethiopia's street homeless women of reproductive age in the health and social protection policies: A qualitative study*
- 11:45 **Mary Karanja Muthoni**, PhD Student in Geophysics: *Study of Crust and Upper Mantle Structure Beneath Kenya Rift System From Ambient Seismic Noise*



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- 12:00 **Gbemisola Allwell-Brown**, PhD in Global Health: *Patterns and contextual determinants of antibiotic prescribing for febrile paediatric outpatients in Bugisu, Eastern Uganda*
- 12:30 Lunch at Café Alma
- 13:30-15:00 **Session 3: Round-table – How to engage with higher education & research in/with Africa?**
Chair: Professor Sten Hagberg
- Participants:
Professor **Ludovic O. Kibora**, Anthropologist, Director Institut des Sciences des Sociétés, Burkina Faso, co-founder of the LACET research lab
Professor **Ashleigh Harris**, Literary Scholar, Dept. of English & Board-member of Forum for Africa Studies
Associate Professor **Meena Daivadanam**, Public Health Researcher, Dept. of Women's and Children's Health & Board-member of Forum for Africa Studies
Professor **Carla Puglia**, Physics, International Science Programme & Board-member of Forum for Africa Studies
- 15:00 Fruit Break
- 15:15-16:00 **Session 4: Key Note Address on Critical African Studies**
Chair: Associate Professor Anders Themnér, Dept. of Peace and Conflict Research & Board-member of Forum for Africa Studies
- Professor **Amanda Hammar**, University of Copenhagen & President of the Africa-Europe Group for Interdisciplinary Studies (AEGIS): *A Spanner in the Machine/s: Why Critical African Studies Matters (in Sweden and Everywhere)*
- 16:00 **Concluding remarks**
Professor **Erik Lindberg**, Dean of the Faculty of Arts
- 16:10 Refreshments

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