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
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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