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International Transdisciplinary Conference on Africa (ITCA 2019): Africa in a Post-Colonial Perspective
&
Evening Gala

Part I: ITCA 2019: Africa in a Post-Colonial Perspective

Time: 10:00 am – 16:00 pm
Venue: Rosensäle, Fürstengraben 27, 07743 Jena, Germany
Parallel programme: Children Program.
Venue: Rosensäle, Fürstengraben 27, 07743 Jena, Germany

&

Part II: Evening Gala

Time: 19:00 pm – 1:00 am
Venue: Mensa Carl-Zeiss-Promenade
Carl-Zeiß-Promenade 6, 07745 Jena
Parallel programme: African Market

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The African Network for Solar Energy promotes research, education and training in the field of renewable energies among Africans as well as non-Africans with a special focus on - and relationships with - Africa.
As outlined in its by-laws, ANSOLE supports non-profit activities in the field of development aid and cultural exchange with the aim of strengthening the dialogue between the North and African countries (north-south) and among African countries (south-south) on renewable energy.
It endorses the use of solar energy to the benefit of the social and economic development of Africa as well as environmental protection through:

- Education and training of African scientists, experts and students
- Exchange of students and visiting scientists
- Workshops, conferences and meetings in Africa
- Organising and implementing projects and programmes on renewable energy
- Promoting capacity building in the use of renewable energy in Africa for all

As a non-profit and charitable organization registered in Jena Germany (as ANSOLE e.V.), it is locally involved in educational issues related to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and in arts and culture. In addition, it offers a platform of articulation of students and migrants from Africa with the aim to facilitate their integration and acceptance within the German society.

Membership to ANSOLE is open to everyone who accepts the goals of the networks. It entails an annual membership subscription fee of 30 Euros for students, 50 Euros for other individuals and 350 Euros for educational institutions and 1000 Euros for companies. Please send an email to info@ansole.org or directly to Daniel.egbe@ansole.org to receive a membership application form. An interactive membership application form is available online at www.ansole.org.

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Beautiful faces during the Gala

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Part I: Conference

Time: 9:00 am-16.00 pm
Venue: Rosensäle, Fürstengraben 27, 07743 Jena

9:00-10:15	Registration / Coffee and snacks
Session I	***Chairperson: Sospeter Njeru***
10:15–10:25	**Opening remarks** *PD Dr. Daniel A. M. Egbe, ANSOLE e.V Jena / Dr. Britta Salheiser, FSU Jena*
10:25-10:30	African Network for Solar Energy: Bridging Africans and non-Africans in Capacity Building in Sustainable Energies and Sustainable Cohabitation/ *PD Dr.Daniel A. M. Egbe, ANSOLE e.V. Jena*
10:30-10:50	The Africa We Want- A Review of the African Union's Development Agenda, /Vivian N. Ogechi/TU Berlin
10:50-11:10	Career Opportunities-Germany-Africa / *Dr. Gabriel Natura, FSU Jena*
11:10-11:25	**Coffee Break**
11:25-11:45	Clean and Affordable Energy as a Keystone for Sustainable Development./*Adedamola David Adejobi, University of Erfurt*
11:45-12:05	Our Work at Eine Welt Netzwerk Thüringen e.V./ *Gudula Kilias & Pratibha Singh, Eine Welt Netzwerk Thüringen e.V. Jena*
12:05-12:25	Mediocrity and the lack of self is the bane of Africa's problem: Lessons from Pius Adesanmi, a teacher I never met./*Oluwatosin Abdulsalam, FSU Jena*
12:25-13:10	**Lunch Break**
Session 2	***Chairperson: Oluwatosin Abdulsalam***
13:10-13:30	Global learning with high school students in Germany and Kenya *Stefanie Adler, FSU Jena*
13:30-13:50	A career, profession and entrepreneurship network between Kenya and Germany *Caroline Mwangi*

13:50-14:10	Increasing dependence on foreign loans: Any other alternative for Africa/ *Anthony Aroh & Anthony Chukwubuikem, FSU Jena*
14:10-14:20	**Coffee Break**
14:20-14:40	Africa and International Science - Moving away from Dependency/ *Stefan Skupien, WZB Berlin*
14:40-15:00	Science in Africa-Way forward/*Sospeter Ngoci, ANSOLE e.V. Jena*
15:00-15:20	Eritrea and Causes of Migration/*Desbele Kidane, ANSOLE e.V. Jena*
15:20-15:40	Homestory Deutschland – Black biographies in the past and present/ *Konrad Erben, Fachhochschule Jena & Mirjam Elomda, Erfurt*
15:40-15:50	Take-home message/ Chris Seiferth, ANSOLE e.V. Jena
15:40-16:00	**Closing Remarks and award of Certificates of participation**

Part II: Evening Gala

Time: 19:00 pm – 1:30 am
Venue: Mensa Carl-Zeiss-PromenadeCarl-Zeiß-Promenade 6, 07745 Jena

19.00-19:30	Welcoming of guests
19.30-20:00	Welcome addresses from AMAH, ANSOLE e.V. and special guests./ Brief summary of the conference (Sospeter Njeru)
20:00-20:30	Live band
20.30-21.30	Buffet & live Band
21.30-22.30	African fashion and culture parade
22:30-22:45	Eritrean dance
22:45-23:00	Closing remarks (Daniel Egbe & Abishag Ngoci)
23:00-01:00	DJ music and dancing
1:00-1:30	Clean up

African Network for Solar Energy: Bridging Africans and non-Africans in Capacity Building in Sustainable Energies and Sustainable Cohabitation

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The African Network for Solar Energy (ANSOLE) is a network of more than 1000 learners, experts and institutions that seek to address Africa's energy problems using environment-friendly sustainable energy sources. Initiated on 4 November 2010 in Sousse, Tunisia, and launched on February 4 2011 in Linz, Austria, it is headquartered in Jena, Germany, through the NGO ANSOLE e.V., and boasts branches in 45 African countries and 31 non-African countries. The main focus of ANSOLE is CAPACITY BUILDING as reflected by its 3 main goals: (1) Technical and vocational education and training (TVET) at various skill levels, (2) Research activities among African and non-African scientists involved in the training of African students and experts, and (3) Promotion of renewable energies in Africa through public education and awareness raising. The following are the organization's major achievements in figures since its inception. 30 African students benefitted from the 3 ICTP (International Centre for Theoretical Physics)-ANSOLE-sponsored fellowship programs to complete their Master's and PhD studies. Over 20 renewable energy related workshops, meetings, conferences, symposia and summer schools have been (co)-organized by ANSOLE. Besides, ANSOLE has published 9 *e-Magazines (previously e-News) + 1 supplement* so far. ANSOLE and partners initiated a platform called Bridging Africa, Latin America and Europe on Water and Renewable Energies Applications (BALEWARE) in 2015 and launched it in 2016.

Since 2018 ANSOLE e.V. is in charge of the AMAH (*Anlaufstelle für Menschen afrikanischer Herkunft*- Focal Point for People of African Origin) project with the aim to facilitate the acceptance and integration of Africans in Jena, Germany.

The ANSOLE is a dynamic and fast-growing organization thanks to its members and will dwell the scientific mouthpiece of Africa on issues related to renewable energy and sustainability. Please join us and/or donate to our capacity building activities!

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Prof. Daniel Ayuk Mbi EGBE received his BSc in Physics and Chemistry in 1991 from the then University of Yaoundé (now University of Yaoundé 1), Cameroon. In 1992, he moved to Germany where he obtained his MSc and PhD in Chemistry in 1995 and 1999, respectively, from the Friedrich-Schiller University of Jena. He completed his habilitation in Organic Chemistry at the same institution in 2006. From 2006 to 2008, he spent postdoctoral stays at the Max Planck Institute for Polymer Research in Mainz, Germany, the Technical University of Eindhoven in Holland, and at the Technical University of Chemnitz, Germany. In 2009, he moved to the Johannes Kepler University Linz, and was member of the Linz Institute for Organic Solar Cells (LIOS) (2009- 2016) and then member of the Institute of Institute of Polymeric Materials and Testing (IPMT) (2016-2019).. Egbe's main research interest is the design of semiconducting materials for optoelectronic applications.

He is a member of Organic Electronics Association (OE-A), and a board member of the World University Service (WUS) in Germany. He is the initiator of the German-Cameroonian Coordination Office, initiator and International Coordinator of the African Network for Solar Energy (ANSOLE), initiator and chairperson of ANSOLE e.V., an institution legally representing ANSOLE, and initiator of the Cameroon Renewable Energy Network (CAMREN). He also initiated

and coordinates the research platform BALEWARE (Bridging Africa, Latin America and Europe on Water and Renewable Energies Applications). Between 2015 and 2017 he was appointed member of the scientific council of the newly created “Ecole Supérieure des Métiers des Energies Renouvelables (ESMER), in Benin. He was part of the team engaged in developing research programs at the Pan African University Institute of Water and Energy Sciences (including Climate Change) (PAUWES) in Tlemcen, Algeria, on behalf of the African Union. In 2016 he was appointed the first Distinguished Brian O´Connell Visiting Fellow of the University of the Western Cape, South Africa. Since 2015 he is an independent evaluator for the World Bank Group and African governments in the selection process of African Centres of Excellence (ACEs) and African Hosting Universities (AHUs) in the framework of PASET (Partnerships in skills for Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology)- RSIF (Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund) Programme. He was the director of the VolkswagenStiftung-sponsored Summer Schools on sustainable energetics in Africa (2015-2017). He is presently PhD supervisor and visiting lecturer at the African Centre of Excellence in Energy for Sustainable Development (ACE-ESD) of the University of Rwanda in Kigali. At the end of 2018, he was honored with the Africa Recognition Award 2018 by the African Community of Erfurt, Capital City of Thuringia in Germany.
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The Africa We Want- A Review of the African Union’s Development Agenda

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The African Union’s Agenda 2063 presents a global strategy to optimize use of Africa's resources for the benefits of all Africans" - Aiming to encourage discussion among all stakeholders, “Agenda 2063” is an approach to how the continent should effectively learn

from the lessons of the past, build on the progress now underway and strategically exploit all possible opportunities available in the short, medium and long term, so as to ensure positive socioeconomic transformation within the next 50 years. It is a conceptual framework and master plan for transforming Africa into the global powerhouse of the future. In May 2013, African heads of state and government signed the 50th Anniversary Solemn Declaration during the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the formation of the OAU as a sign of their commitment to support Africa's new path for attaining inclusive and sustainable economic growth and development. The declaration marked the renewal of the Pan African Vision of "***An integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens, representing a dynamic force in the international arena"***. Since the declaration, several initiatives have been developed in line with the agenda and they are undertaken as 10-year implantation programs. Agenda 2063 is composed of seven aspirations and flagship programmes that are sure to see the continent advance and improve its internal framework.

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Gender and Climate Change in Africa

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To really understand Gender and Climate issues, it is imperative to look at what is meant by Climate Change and its adverse manifestation to the environment's ecosystem. Climate change is a serious social, economic and political matter with profound implication for social injustice, inequality in opportunity, in income terms and gender inequality especially to women in poor nations such as Africa.Climate change impacts will be differently distributed among different generations, age classes, income groups, occupation and gender. The poorest countries are the most affected. The women in the Africa are the most hit: drought, flooding, limited access to technologies, reduced agricultural production.

Women in developing countries are particularly vulnerable to climate change because they are highly dependent on local natural resources for their livelihood. Women charged with securing water, food and fuel for cooking and heating face the greatest challenges. Women experience unequal access to resources and decision-making processes, with limited mobility in rural areas.

What are the Causes and Threats of Climate Change? How can we link Climate Change and Sustainable Development to Gender Issue in the African context? How does Climate change impact on human activities such as agriculture, deforestation, ...etc in Africa)?_What are the factors accounting for Gender Inequality in Climate Change Issue? What does the Paris Agreement mean to Africa?

It is in this **gender inequality** in the climate change debate that I would like to address and its impact on poor women in Africa.

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Increasing dependence on foreign loans: Any other alternative for Africa

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The act of governance is undisputedly not a bed of roses, at least because decisions made by those in authority are felt by all and sundry. Hence every responsible government strives to fulfill her peoples' yearnings for improved standard of living. With respect to this, most African countries budget huge sum of money every year. But the performance of these budgets had always been below average, leaving about 42% of Sub-Saharan Africans to live below poverty threshold despite her enormous resources. To fund some of these budgets, these countries have always relied heavily on borrowings from foreign countries and organizations. Consequently, most African countries found themselves in the crisis of debt overhang.

It is less than two decades after major debt relief for the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) – an initiative of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in 1996 aim at helping the poorest countries of the world to overcome debt overhang. Of course, the debt forgiveness initiative was of good intention. Nevertheless, African debt being in the global news again, raises concern as to whether debt relief was a wrong incentive that triggers moral hazards among most HIPC. In fact, African government external debt

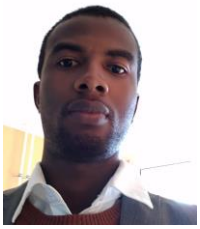
payments increased from 5.9% of government revenue in 2015 to 11.8% in 2017 representing an alarming situation.
Though, the developed economies also experience increase in their debt profile, nevertheless the realities are not the same when one compares factors such as their investment priorities, standard of living, ability to negotiate, sincerity etc., with their African counterparts. Therefore, we analyze the Africa debt profile, the drivers of this debt buildup, its design features, the consequences and what we consider to be the way out. Our main goal is to do justice to this topic in clear terms and to engage a sincere discuss among Africa future leaders.

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Mediocrity and the lack of self is the bane of Africa's problem: Lessons from Pius Adesanmi, a teacher I never met

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1960 was the year of independence in Africa. In fact, 17 different African countries got independence from their colonisers in this year. Some countries had obtained their independence few months before and some after. Ghana for example got their independence as far back as 1957. The joy that heralds this self-serving sovereignty was however short-lived as countries with projected Eldorado did not wait too long before they showed how poor we could manage our affairs. Many constructs have been made on the reason why the Eldorado Africa project failed. The most popular being the blame game on the effect of the years of colonization and the structures left behind from the process of colonization. Some of those structures very difficult to reverse. I will therefore argue that the bulk of the problem facing the development of Africa is due to the fact that we have imbibed mediocrity into our culture and our lack of self. As dire as the effect of colonisation has been on our natural development and ways of life, Africa as a whole has taken a stand to wallow in the quagmire of underdevelopment and unwarranted dependencies. The way forward will therefore be citizen education and the introduction of ideals that says no to mediocrity and the creation of self-image to every individual component nation that makes up the present-day Africa and even an image for Africa itself.

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Global learning with high school students in Germany and Kenya

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Global learning can be described as an approach to learning about international development and global interconnections. It encourages critical discussions about global issues and creates an awareness of the impact that individuals can have on them. German schools have recognized the added value that global learning can bring to the curriculum, broadening the views of the students and helping young people to understand their role in a globalized world.

In cooperation with EineWeltNetzwerk Thüringen e.V. and with partners in East Africa, we have organized online chat sessions with young people from Germany and Kenya. High school and university students aged 10 to 25 years meet their peers online to discuss global issues and learn from each other. The face-to-face interaction makes learning more interesting for the students, helps to overcome stereotypes about the African and European continent and to develop a real-life picture of young people growing up in Kenya and Germany.

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Hybrid green system to generate electricity in Africa

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The exploitation of green energy is becoming necessary for the creation of electricity in Africa. A proposed system is presented to create electricity by using combining renewable energies (wind energy and solar energy). This system offers several advantages over a system using only a single renewable source. In fact, the wind speed is measured high in winter when less sun is available. And, the wind speed is measured low in summer when the sun is available every day. The proposed system is composed by a solar chimney and a vertical wind rotor installed at the top of the chimney. By integrating the different renewable resources into one optimal combination, the impact of the variable nature of resources can be partially resolved and the overall system becomes more reliable and economical to operate.

Keywords Hybrid system, renewable energy, solar energy, wind energy, Africa

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Clean and Affordable Energy as a Keystone for Sustainable Development

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The usefulness of clean and affordable energy cannot be over emphasized in the pursuit of sustainable development globally, as no country has ever developed without access to reliable and affordable energy, but which may not be clean. The impact of energy on people, communities and nations in terms of economic growth, health, security, food and education, makes the campaign/call for a clean and affordable energy a more noble cause in present times. Despite the utmost importance of energy to mankind, over 1.1 billion people in the world still live without electricity, while almost 3 billion still cook using polluting fuels such as kerosene, wood, charcoal and dung

(World Bank, 2015). It is advised that to advance towards universal access to clean and affordable energy sources, countries need to expand electrification more rapidly than demographic growth, using more renewable energy sources, if it's to achieve the 2030 goal. Increase in global investment from $400 billion to $1.25 trillion need to be taken more seriously to achieve the set target. Private sector participation is of great essence in bridging this gargantuan gap most especially in least developed countries. Several of these private institutions are using their assets to help fill gaps in private sector finance, focusing on poor and vulnerable communities that risk being left behind in the energy transition. It is of immense importance for Sub-Saharan Africa, which has been identified as the region with the highest deficit of clean energy to brace up and take advantage of abundant renewable energy source. Today there is no technical barrier to providing billions of energy poor with modern, safe, reliable and affordable energy services (Nussbaumer, 2012). The World Bank reckons that significant and sustainable increase of clean and affordable energy supply in sub-Saharan Africa economies could make it to be growing by two percentage points a year faster, on average, than they do now. The ripple effects of such growth can foster socio-economic development in rural Africa, creating a thriving job market and improved quality of life for millions of people.

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KGCEN is an information and networking platform based in Nuremberg registered under the German Law. KGCEN was founded by Kenyan Professionals with different professional backgrounds based in Germany. Our main focus is to build a sustainable academic, career and entrepreneurship relationship between Kenya/Africa and Germany by connecting **Universities**, **Companies** and **Social Communities** in Germany with Students and Young Professionals from African origin looking for opportunities in Germany or back in Africa. Our network has a pool of experts and mentors with different academic and professional skills who have been identifying sustainable technologies and solutions for the African market. We facilitate the establishment of stable mentoring programs within the African diaspora as we mentor young professionals, students and entrepreneurs by sharing available opportunities and success stories. We also focus on mentoring and empowering communities within the diaspora.

Caroline Mwangi



Caroline Mwangi is the CEO and Co-founder of KGCEN. During her studies in Germany in International Management, Caroline together with other Professionals saw the need to have a platform enhancing the academic and entrepreneurship relationship between Kenya and Germany to share available opportunities and success stories between the two countries. She is passionate about building sustainable academic and entrepreneurship collaborations between Germany and Kenya. Caroline is also the Co-founder of Mitafrika, a Business Forum based in Germany aiming at bringing African Entrepreneurs and German SMEs together, to contribute to a sustainable mutual socio-economic prosperity between Africa and

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Africa and International Science - Moving away from Dependency

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Many promises and hopes come to mind when thinking of science. Among others, it is necessary to mutually counter global challenges and to keep afoot in the competitive knowledge economy. Scientists from African countries are integrated into many different scientific networks and ever more visible and recognized. Yet, science capacities within African countries are often described as deficient and in need of improvement with help of external assistance. The talk gives a short overview of what is claimed to be missing and what initiatives are currently being developed to counter the scientific dependency across different countries, including training, funding and open access journals.

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The State of Science in Africa, and the way forward

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Whereas Africa's population is approximately 16 % of the global population, the research output from the continent is still dismal at 1 % of global research output. In 2008, Africa produced 27 000 published research papers – the same number as the Netherlands. This sad state is partly attributed to; (a) The very little investment the continent is putting into research and development (at less than 1 % global expenditure to research), (b) Over-reliance on inter-continental collaboration with little domestic research (of course due to lack of sufficient local research capacity, and facilities within the continental members), and (c) To some extent due to massive brain drain. Even though the number of African researchers is comparatively dismal compared to other global players, Africa still prides herself a number of well-trained, competent researchers, who unfortunately are not practicing their trade and calling in Africa due to lack of research equipment, finances, and political goodwill.
Nevertheless, I am persuaded that it is the time to start those little ripples that will culminate in the future into a massive wave of change in terms of scientific, and research establishment in Africa. One way in which global players can help Africa catch up with other global members in the area of research and development is by supporting the establishment of teaching and research laboratories in African Universities. Such facilities will definitely encourage the majority of young African researchers to relocate back and contribute to training/capacity building of the next generation. Secondly, we should encourage global mentors not to let their African mentees relocate back into an 'unknown.' Facilitating the mentees to relocate with

some seed grants, and some equipment to keep such returnees actively engaged in science will also alleviate 'knowledge rusting.' Thirdly, the young players in science across Africa should be encouraged to foster collaborations as early as when they are in their early careers. We should shed our territorial prejudices and build synergies that will create a generation that will raise Africa into a critical player in the global scientific field. Additionally, we should actively endeavor to engage the politicians and the rich in Africa, and show them the sense and benefits of supporting scientific advancement, as it is the culture in the other part of the world. If it is easier for them to finance church projects that serve their society for four days per month, we can convince them to do the same to the science that has the promise to serve the present and widen the opportunities for the future generations. We should long for the days when Africa will be home to Nobel prizes in sciences, economics like other global players and not the home for Nobel peace and literature prices only. There is still much to be discovered right in the heart of our continent, and we should be the drivers of this discovery, not passengers.

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Our Work at Eine Welt Netzwerk Thüringen e.V.

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Eine Welt Netzwerk Thüringen e.V. is an umbrella organisation for global development policy in the state of Thüringia. Through our non-formal and formal education training programs we seek to fill the information deficit that occurs in understanding global interdependence. Through our work, we seek to arrive at an understanding of the complexity of underlying causes behind unequal distribution of resources, environmental degradation, climate change and poverty.

Global education motivates and empowers people to become active and responsible global citizens. We are directly involved with civil society actors and Government actors in the formulation of development policy guidelines that covers various aspects in consonance with sustainable development goals outlined in the Agenda 2030 and seeks to elicit a global responsibility that the region

has towards fulfilling these goals. The organisation actively engages with groups and initiatives at the national and global level to influence and participate in policy and decision making processes concerning sustainable development. Apart from that we encourage active youth participation and networking who could be empowered to further invest in social activities and projects. Through an extensive network of volunteers, engaged initiatives and partners we facilitate information exchange in case anyone is looking developing and realising their projects.
Problems like racism, global exploitation and inequality continue to shape our present reality. That is why it is important to add a critical inquiry into the interdependencies of colonial and postcolonial structures. We focus on connecting the working and interest groups to form a strong, coherent voice against global inequality and exploitation. Interested parties in the regional periphery, though interested, often face difficulties in accessing resources or information. We offer training and advisory services for them to look for adequate financial support and ideas to shape projects. We do advocacy work to promote active citizenship where citizens are conscious of their duties and responsibility for a fair and better world. We counter against socially engineered angst from globalisation and migration and propagate ideas based on global justice, human rights and equality.
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Homestory Deutschland – Black biographies in the past and present

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Conception

“Homestory Deutschland” is a collective self-portrait. It takes up African, African American and Black German memory traditions in which the oral and written transmission of lived experience plays a crucial role. Black perspectives and reflections, contributions and merits receive a special appreciation as the source of polyphonic and communal knowledge. On the one hand, the synopsis of twenty-

seven visual biographies of black men and women from three centuries elucidates on the way in which social and thus systemic framework conditions are inscribed in individual life stories and shape them. On the other hand, it becomes possible to understand individual negotiation and decision-making skills and to emphasize the inherent active and conscious creative will, which impressively testifies to the constant and often tedious confrontation with the white majority society.

While six illustrated, stitch-like timelines factually substantiate the existence of a Black Historicity from the early modern period to the present and thus clarify the historical framework, the individual biographies are consciously not subject to a chronological order, but stand side by side and with each other. Past and present life stories thus create their own space / time, superimpose, reverberate and constantly re-interlink. The resulting, inter-generational, communicative tension makes it difficult for viewers to approach the portrayed persons from a safe distance. There are neither timeless nor past biographies, but they all speak - as stories in motion - in the here and now. They demand interaction.

Wall of Fame

The main element of the exhibition, a wall made up of three modules, is equipped with turntables, on whose front pages portrait photographs of the persons presented are laminated and on whose backs the corresponding biographical texts can be found. In order to get to the desired information, the panels must be moved. Through the interaction of the exhibition visitors, the look of the modules is constantly changing, resulting in new and exciting wall compositions. At the same time, both the »view behind the facade« and »history in motion« are visualized.

Outlook

The view is integrated into the third wall module. Visitors can insert their written commentary behind a sheet of acrylic glass on which brief statements by young black people can be read that are entitled to the "last word" as the new generation. Since the notes are not to be folded, the corresponding statements remain at least fragmentarily accessible. In this way, two levels are simultaneously visualized: the perspectives of the Black Youth and the Visitor.

Media modules

The media modules allow the public a concrete access to the artistic work of some portrayed persons and thus the direct confrontation with cultural and intellectual productions of black people living in Germany. Additional films, videos as well as literary and academic publications that are open to inspection are intended to stimulate further study of the subject.

“Homestory Deutschland” mobile

In addition to the exhibition format described, the “Homestory Deutschland” exhibition exists in a mobile version in which the exhibition modules have been replaced by wall panels. In this “light version” with English and French texts, the “Homestory Deutschland”, in cooperation with the Goethe-Institut, was on view internationally. It has already been presented in Senegal / Dakar, Ivory Coast / Abidjan, Malawi / Lilongwe, Tanzania / Dar es Salaam, South Africa / Johannesburg and Uganda / Kampala.

„Homestory Deutschland“ in Jena

„Homestory Deutschland“ will be presented in the late summer / fall of 2019 by the local group of the “Initiative Schwarzer Menschen in Deutschland” (ISD), the group “Decolonize Jena” and the “Bund Deutscher Pfadfinder_innen” (BDP).

The ISD is a nonprofit self-organization of Black people in Germany. It has made it its mission to represent the interests of Black people in Germany and to stand for justice in the migration society.

Decolonize Jena is a self-organized political group that wants to work towards a critical and responsible treatment of colonial relationships in the past and present.

The BDP is an independent, open, democratic youth organization that aims to promote the social participation and self-determination of children and adolescents.

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Eritrea and Causes of Migration

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Eritrea is a country in the Horn of Africa with its capital in Asmara. It is bordered by Sudan in the west, Ethiopia in the south, and Djibouti in the southeast. The North-Eastern and Eastern parts of Eritrea have an extensive coastline along the Red Sea. The nation has a total area of approximately 117,600 km^2 (45,406 sq mi), and includes the Dahlak Archipelago and several of the Hanish Islands.

Eritrea is a multi-ethnic country, with nine recognized ethnic groups and these are Tigrinya, Tigre,Hidareb, Bilen, Afar, Saho, Kunama, Nara and Rashaida. Its population is around 5 million.Eritrea is a one-party state in which national legislative elections have never been held since Independence. According to Human Rights Watch, the Eritrean government human rights record is among the worst in the world. The Eritrean government has dismissed these allegations as politically motivated. The compulsory military service requires long, indefinite conscription periods, making alot of Eritreans leave the country to avoid it.. Because all local media is state-owned, Eritrea was also ranked as having the second-least press freedom in the global Press Freedom Index, behind only North Korea.

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Meine Erfahrung als Student bzw wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter

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Als afrikanische Student in Jena sind 2 Phasen zu unterscheiden, nämlich vor und nach der Wende im Jahr 1989. Damals (vor der Wende) waren sehr viele afrikanische Studenten in Jena bzw. in der DDR. Dies geschah durch staatliche Verträge, bei denen bestimmte Anzahl der Studenten vor allem aus jungen afrikanischen Staaten (z.B. Mosambik) zum Studium delegiert wurden. Dazu zählten auch Länder, die auf dem Weg zur Unabhängigkeit waren. Die Zeit nach der Wende war am Anfang hart. In Jena bzw. Ostdeutschland waren bestimmte Ecken plötzlich nicht mehr betretbar (*no go areas*).

Trotzdem hatte jeder von uns das Ziel im Auge, nämlich bis zum Abschluss weiter zu studieren. Somit haben die meisten von uns das Studium bis zum Abschluss gemacht. Viele von denen sind bzw. mussten zurück in die Heimat. Ein paar weniger sind aus verschiedenen Gründen wie z.B. Promotion, Familie, usw. in Deutschland geblieben bzw. wo anders gegangen. Dies bedeutet, dass durch die erworbenen wissenschaftlichen Kenntnisse und die Sprache hat es allen ermöglicht, die zur Verfügung stehenden Chancen wahrzunehmen! Heute sind diese Möglichkeiten mehr als damals, denn heute hat jeder Absolvent die Möglichkeit sich irgendwo und hier zu bewerben! Dadurch würde jeder profitieren, nicht nur mit dem Studium sondern auch wichtigen praktischen Erfahrungen zu sammeln!

Dr. Gabriel Natura



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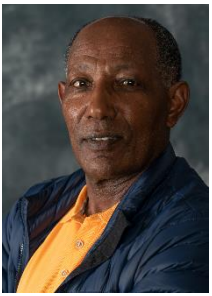
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- 18. Mai 1994 Heirat mit Christina
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- Fortlaufend Engagement in Bildungsarbeit in Deutschland + Benin
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micro level, industry, politic, macro-economy-regions, international and transnational systems. Also I have been trained in SPSS and statistical research. My Bachelor degree in Social Work and working experiences in this field qualify me to examine human needs and desires, their coping and learning strategies as well as some knowledge of social law and management. I am motivated and interested in learning new skills and hope, my profile can build additional value to your team. I posses a working level of English in addition to my mother tongue German. Besides this I speak Romanian in everyday usage and also French. I am presently a Social Worker at *AWO Regionalverband Mitte-West-Thüringen e.V.*, Jena, Germany with main focus on socio-pedagogical family assistance for families with migrant background. I am an honorary coworker at ANSOLE e.V. Contact: *chris.seiferth@onenetbeyond.org*

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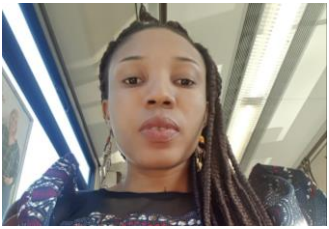
Nigeria, Nsukka for my Bachelor Degree. Currently I am studying Evolution, Ecology and Systematics for my Masters program at the Friedrich Schiller University, Jena. I speak English and Igbo fluently and a little bit of German. In my free time I watch movies, listen to music of different genres and also watch sports. I love learning new things and meeting people. My philosophy in life is know something of everything and everything of something. Contact: Chidiebere.Agwu@uni-jena.de

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Ezeh Assumpta



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Fanta Beyai



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AFRICA DAY 2019 Jena, Germany

Report on AFRICA DAY 2019

The conference part of the event was sparely attended, maybe due to the hidden venue and busyness of many African students during the Saturday morning period. In total approximately 60 persons showed up. It started with welcoming words from Dr Britta Salheiser of the International Office of FSU Jena, who coorganised the conference, and from Dr. Daniel Egbe, Chairperson of ANSOLE e.V.. The inaugural lecture was held by Ms Vivian Ogechi on „The Africa We Want- A Review of the African Union's Development Agenda". This was followed by 9 other very instructive lectures, half of them dealing with capacity building and research activities in Africa. The main message from the conference was that African goverments should invest more in Education and in Research & Develpment (R&D) by raising the present average contribution to R&D of 0.4 % of the GDP to above 1 % in order to impact the development of the continent.



Opening of Africa DAY 2019 conference: from left) Dr Sospeter Ngoci, Dr Britta Salsheiser, Dr. Daniel Egbe & Ms Vivian Ogechi



Lecturers of the conference: Gabriel, Gudula,Pratibha, Tosin, Stefanie, Anthony,Anthony, Stefan, Desbele, Konrad, Caroline and Thierry



Conference group photo

As compared to 2018, the gala evening was a great success due higher attendance and a better programme. The venue, the Mensa at Ernst Abbe University of Applied Sciences, offers a far better setting to carry out such an event as compared to the one at the City Centre. It offered space for an African market. 4 persons, Daniel Egbe, Thierry Appolinaire from Ilmenau (originally from Benin), Shewa Bekele from Ethiopia and a lady from Eritrea were selling different African products (clothes, materials, bags, coffee, honey, dattes, etc). Organic wines and organic soft drinks specially bottled with an Africa Day 2019 etiquette were on sale. The event hall was decorated with flags from the following African countries: Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Egypt, Tunisia, Zambia, Uganda and South Africa.



Left) Gala evening opening addresses. Right) African students band performing

Entrance was paid at 2 Euros for students and refugees and 5 Euros for others. It was, however, difficult to estimate the exact number of attendees based on the entrance fees, due to many side entrances that many used to get into the hall without paying. From the number of seats in the hall, an estimation of 350 attendees can be made.



Left) African market. Right) Attendees watching various performances on the stage

The evening consisted of welcome addresses, life music, dinner, African fashion parade and dancing. The evening was moderated by Chancily Matinda and by Damilola Akinyemi. Opening addresses for this 3rd edition of Africa Day Gala Evening in Jena were held by Rea Mauersberger of MigraNetz Thüringen and by Daniel Egbe of ANSOLE e.V. This was followed by live music performed by the African students band under the leadership of Anthony Chukwubuikem. Food prepared by the Mensa (under the supervision of selected African female students) consisting of dishes from different regions of Africa was served while live music was played.



"Dancing" fashion show. From left) Cameroon, Egypt, Ghana, Gambia

The highlight of the evening was the „dancing“ country-after-country fashion show under the coordination of Maryann Okoli from Nigeria. A brief powerpoint presentation of the specific country was made by the moderator prior to each show.



Dancing fashion show. From Left) Kenya, Nigeria (Fulani), Nigeria (Yoruba) and Nigeria (Cross river state)



Dancing fashion show: from left) Nigeria (Anambra state), Nigeria and Eritrea/Ethiopia



Left) Mr Shewa Bekele receives a bouguet of flower from the Ethiopian – Eritrean community. Right) Dancing till 1 am…

The first country to go on stage was Cameroon, followed by Egypt, then Ghana, Gambia, Kenya, Nigeria in its multiple facettes, and finally the joint Eritrea-Ethiopia group. The Eritrean community offered a bouquet of flower to ANSOLE e.V.´s coworker, Shewa Bekele, in recognition of his strong support to the Ethiopian-Eritrean community.

The official part of the evening ended with an award of signed posters of thanks to all who actively contributed to the realization of Africa Day 2019 .This was followed by dancing till 1 am.

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Maryann, thank you for the wonderful and beautiful fashion show! Dami, thank you for the nice design of the flyer and poster and for moderating the evening gala together with Chancily Matinda, to whom I am very grateful for her faithfulness during the last 3 years… I acknowledged the „faithful“ and constant contribution of my two „Anthony“s and Tosin. Boys, I know I can count on you as long as you are in Jena. Faith David, you rightly bear the name „Faith“. You have proven your faithfulness since I knew you. Thank you very much! Wisdom, as a wise and calm lady, you are always there, when you are needed. Aminat, although new in Jena, you seem to be here for very long time due to your readiness and willingness to socialize with other Africans. Rachael, you are a calm and reserved person, but very supportive in every endeavor. Fanta, you and your father are proud representatives of The Gambia in Jena. I Thank you and the other lady, whose name I don´t know, for supporting Guilaine to represent Cameroon during the fashion show. My „daughter“

Guilaine, thank you very much for saving the honor of Cameroon….Matilda, after all what you went through, you were the best Kenyan dancer I have ever met…Thank you very much! Know that God is the Father of the fatherless and defender of the widows (Psalm 68:5). He will carry you through. Elsie, you are a special Ghanaian lady, who proudly represents her people at every moment.

Dennis, Assumpta, Chiediebere, Desbele, … and all those that I forgot to mention here (I am above 50 and forgetful!) are thanked for their respective contribution to the success of our event.

Africa Day 2019 was a success due to the strong participation and contribution of the Nigerian, Eritrean/Ethiopian, Kenya and Uganda communities in Jena. Those communities have made us proud!

I end up by thanking Chris, Mylène and Franziska who stayed till after 2 am to rearrange the Mensa after all left…Thank you friends!

Upcoming Event

ANSOLE DAYS 2019 & BALEWARE 2019 on **„Sustainable Energetics and Water", 9-13 September 2019, Tumba & Kigali, Rwanda**

ANSOLE DAYS 2019 & BALEWARE 2019 will be held from the 9th to the 13th of September 2019 in Tumba and Kigali, Rwanda. Use the opportunity to visit the cleanest and greenest African city, Kigali and watch the famous mountain gorillas. The event is jointly organized by ANSOLE, BALEWARE, Rwanda Polytechnic (IPRC-Tumba & Kigali), University of Rwanda (CST) and IFATIZO Organisation, the newly created NGO by young ANSOLErs in Rwanda to promote environmental protection and the implementation of the SDGs. Just

like ANSOLE DAYS 2018, this 5 days event will combine scientific lectures and practical training on photovoltaics and water (waste-water treatment). All topics related to sustainable energetics and water (technological, economic and societal aspects) are welcome. Practical training on photovoltaics will be carried out at IPRC-Tumba while on waste-water treatment at IPRC-Kigali. Possibility to use the training facilities at the UR-CST is given. The general information can be downloaded at www.ansole.org

Online registration link: http://ansoledays2019.ansole.com, Event email: ansoledays2019@ansole.org, Deadlines: Abstract submission: **15 July 2019,** early bird registration deadline: **15 August 2019**

Important information

PASET RSIF PhD scholarships

3-4 Year Doctoral Training Scholarship in PASET RSIF Priority Thematic Area

Deadline for Applications: 22nd July 2019 at 5:00pm (GMT)

The Partnership for skills in Applied Sciences, Engineering and Technology (PASET) is an African-led initiative with the objective of strengthening skills in the Applied Science, engineering and Technology to further socio-economic transformation in sub- Saharan Africa (SSA). The Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF) is the flagship program of PASET. The primary objective of RSIF is to train high quality PhD and post-doctoral students to address the human resource gap of highly qualified specialists in the fields of applied sciences, engineering, and technology (ASET) and to contribute to improving research and innovation capacities in those fields in sub-Saharan Africa. RSIF supports PhD students, post-doctoral scientists and universities in SSA to establish a high-quality training, research and innovation environment and to develop their institutional capacity for the benefit of the whole region.

RSIF is currently funded by contributions from African governments, the World Bank and the Government of Korea; and implemented by the International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (icipe), Nairobi, Kenya, as the RSIF Regional Coordinating Unit (RCU-icipe).

The PASET priority thematic areas are: ICTs including big data and artificial intelligence; food security and agribusiness; minerals, mining and materials engineering; energy including renewables; and climate change.

Details on the PASET-RSIF PhD scholarships are available at https://app.rsif-paset.org/rsif-applications-2019/index.php

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to Transform our World

https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/



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Beautiful faces at the Gala

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