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## <u>Cluster of Excellence's PI founds new</u> <u>Master's Program - 04.02.2020</u>

The new Master's Program titled "Global History" launched by the Cluster of Excellence's Principal Investigator Prof. Dr. Joël Glasman and Prof. Dr. Kristin Skottki can boast a successful start. After its take-off this



# Art meets Science: "From Plastic to Microplastic" - 03.02.2020

After a first successful visit in 2019, South-African artist Mbongeni Buthelezi is back at the Iwalewahaus this February. A number of public events in cooperation with the SFB Mikroplastik will give the interested public an academic semester, applications for the upcoming winter semester 2020/21 may be <u>... more</u> opportunity to engage with the artist while he creates art from plastic waste ...more



# Afrika@School: Teaching children about Africa -20.01.2020

Since 2018, the Model African Union (MAU) Bayreuth e. V. has been organizing "Afrika@School" – a project teaching German school children about Africa. Continuing its success story and supported by the Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence, the project organizers are planning several events for 2020 ... more



New Year Lecture: Figuring out How to Reconfigure African Studies - 20.01.2020 On 16 January 2020, Prof. Dr. Rüdiger Seesemann invited the interested public to the cluster's first annual New Year Lecture. He took it upon himself to hold the inaugural speech titled "Figuring out how to reconfigure African Studies", providing illuminating insights into what the Cluster is trying



### <u>"Frontiers in Digital</u> <u>African Research" -</u> <u>15.01.2020</u>

The conference brought together international specialists from various disciplines involved in the digital transformation of research data processes, be it the constant development of knowledge databases or repositories, modelling theory and practices or legal and ethical considerations revolving around digitalization ....more



<u>Cinema Africa presented</u> <u>AfriKaleidoskop – a film</u>



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Fellow Portrait: Dr. Melina C. Kalfelis -



Joint statement of the "Institut für Afrikastudien"

#### night at a historic movie theater - 11.02.2020

The Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence will continue its cinematographic endeavors in 2020. First stop: an invitation to see three outstanding movies during an extensive movie night. Movie enthusiasts may look forward to more events in 2020

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#### 05.02.2020

The fellowship program of the Cluster of Excellence was founded with the purpose of strengthening its transdisciplinary agenda. In the academic year 2019/20 a total number of fourteen fellows are hostedby the Cluster. Dr. Melina C. Kalfelis belongs to the first group of Cluster fellows visiting Bayreuth. ...more

#### (IAS) and the Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence 27.01.2020

The joint statement of the IAS and the Cluster of Excellence supports the University of Bayreuth's stance regarding the verdict on using racial slur terms in parlamentary debates calling the decision of the Court "inacceptable" and "insupportable".

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#### <u>Symposium on</u> <u>Intersectionality: Theory,</u> <u>Approach and Activism –</u> 10.02.2020

Since October 2019, the topic of intersectionality has successfully been added to the studies' programme of the University of Bayreuth. In the beginning of February, a symposium on the topic brought even more scholars and students together for a valuable exchange in the matter.



#### Talking moral talks with Dr. Joe Spencer-Bennett - 20.02.2020

Dr. Joe Spencer-Bennett was invited by the research section "Moralities" to stay at the University of Bayreuth for an exchange of ideas on the topic of moral communication. During his stay, the professor of Applied Linguistics gave a public lecture on "Moral talk: debates about its forms, functions and value in political life". ...more



Conference "Africa challenges" is calling for papers - 15.01.2020 The African Studies Association in Germany is organizing the conference "Africa challenges" which will take place at the end of September 2020 in Frankfurt. The

Frankfurt. The conference has just issued a call for papers for its many panels, one of which is convened by Anna Madeleine Ayeh, member of the Cluster of Excellence. ...more

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#### Important Dates







27.02.-03.03.2020: Art meets Science (Bayreuth) After a first successful visit in 2019, South-African artist Mbongeni Buthelezi will be back at the Iwalewahaus this February. A number of public events will give the interested public an opportunity to watch his artistic process live and engage with the artist while he creates art from plastic waste. ...more

<u>16.03.2020: Reading - Nepomuk Riva - Academia</u> <u>under Attack - Wissenschaft unter Beschuss (Bayreuth)</u> Nepomuk Riva will present his book "Academia under attack" talking about the Boko Haram Terror in Northern Nigeria and the impact it had on the work of academia in that region. Four scientists will attend giving a first-hand account of their experience <u>... more</u>

#### <u>31.03.-01.04.2020: Workshop "Understanding Africa's</u> <u>Mobility Struggles(Kampala)</u>

This interdisciplinary workshop will bring together geographers, historians, anthropologists, climatologists and sociologists working on the (im-)mobility of refugees, natural resources and technology. It aims to kick-start discussions around the tentative conceptual term of 'Mobility Struggles', drawing attention towards conflicts around the mobility of people, things and ideas. ... more

More Important Dates and Events

#### Publications

Selected books, anthologies, articles and comments published by the members of the Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence may be found <u>here</u>.

Selected Publications



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