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CENTRO DE ESTUDOS AFRICANOS
UNIVERSIDADE DO PORTO

Elections in Africa

Internal Changes and Foreign Policy of African Countries Conference Series

(Moscow, November 1-2, 2018)

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

November 1, Thursday

9 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

(INSTITUTE LIBRARY)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION

registration will also be possible any moment after that during the Conference working hours

9:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

OPENING CEREMONY

(CONFERENCE HALL)

Keynote addresses from the officials of the Institute for African Studies (Russian Academy of Sciences) and the African Studies Center (Porto University).

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

WORK OF PANELS

PANEL 1

***PEACE, SECURITY AND THE ACTUAL TRANSFER OF POWER DYNAMICS IN
AFRICAN ELECTIONS (GENERAL ASPECTS OF ELECTIONS IN AFRICA)***

(CONVENER: MARTIN REVAYI RUPIYA; READING HALL)

Lesiba Teffo (University of South Africa, Pretoria). **The implications of political power pacts, before or after elections, representing the phenomenon of ‘Beyond the Ballot Box’ on electoral processes**

Cheryl Hendricks (University of Johannesburg, South Africa). **Elections and conflict in Africa: Rethinking conflict management mechanisms**

Sipho Gideon Mantula (University of South Africa, Pretoria). **Managing human security and security of ballot boxes in an African election context: The impact of the African Charter on democracy, elections and governance of 2007**

PANEL 2

ELECTIONS IN AFRICA: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS

(CONVENERS: MACIEL MORAIS SANTOS, VLADIMIR SHUBIN;

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Maciel Morais Santos (Porto University, Portugal). **The Egyptian politics and the 1945 elections seen from a minor imperialism – Portuguese diplomacy in Egypt (1940–1945)**

Sergey N. Volkov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **The presidential election campaign of 2018 in Egypt**

Mourad Aty (University of 8 May 1945, Guelma, Algeria and Porto University, Portugal). **Peculiarity of Algerian campaigns for local elections: Voting for the Party or for the “Aarch”?**

11:30 A.M. – NOON

COFFEE BREAK

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NOON – 2 P.M.
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Andreas Velthuisen (University of South Africa, Pretoria). **An Election Cheat Sheet and what to do about it: The role and functions of Electoral Management Bodies (EMBs) in Africa**

Victor A.O. Adetula (The Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, Sweden). **Citizen's discontent, public trust, and political participation in Africa's new democracies**

Tatyana Denisova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **The “wave of democratisation” and electoral processes in Sub-Saharan Africa**

O. Igho Natufe (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Elections and democracy in Africa: Issues and perspectives**

PANEL 2

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Natalia V. Vinogradova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Elections in the Central African Republic in 2015–2016**

Robtel Neajai Pailey (University of Oxford, United Kingdom), *David Harris* (University of Bradford, United Kingdom). **Post-party politics? Local, national and transnational dimensions of Liberia's 2017 elections**

Lybov M. Sadovskaya (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **The problem of political leadership and electoral process in Côte d'Ivoire**

Abdou-Wahabi Abdou (Selçuk University, Selçuklu/Konya, Turkey). **Post-electoral contestations: Threat or alternative in the process of democratization in Africa? The example of Togo**

2 P.M. – 3 P.M.

LUNCH

3 P.M. – 5 P.M.

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Dumas F. Lafontant (University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA). **“Africa rising”.**
The role of social media in voter turnout

Elena V. Kharitonova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Social representations and attitudes as a basis for electoral behavior in African countries: the experience of empirical research**

Olga S. Kulkova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **The EU as an observer of elections in Africa: Aims, methods and consequences (the 2000s)**

Ndubuisi Idejiora-Kalu (African Youth Union Commission, Abuja, Nigeria). **Economic and religious interplay of interests as a reason for drastic change in Africa's electioneering dynamics**

PANEL 2

ELECTIONS IN AFRICA: NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS

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Benedict Chika Ibolekwu (Deggendorf Institute of Technology, Germany). **Cliché of election in Nigeria: To be or not to be**

Chris S. Orngu (Benue State University, Makurdi, Nigeria). **The geopolitics of ‘zoning principle’ in Nigeria’s electoral process**

Ehiane O. Stanley (University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa). **Electoral violence in Nigeria in the wake of globalisation: A rethinking order**

Princess Hamman-Obels (University of Oxford, United Kingdom, and Independent National Electoral Commission, Abuja, Nigeria). **Electoral governance in Africa: Understanding ‘successful’ elections from Nigeria’s 2011-2015 electoral narratives**

Edwin Anisha (Michael Imoudu National Institute for Labour Studies, Ilorin-Kwara State, Nigeria). **From corporatism to contentious politics: Analyzing elections in the context of dual transitions in Nigeria and emerging (African) countries**

5 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

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Jephias Mapuva (Bindura University, Zimbabwe). **Elections in Africa: Prospects and challenges for democracy**

Prince Kossa (Universtié du Québec à Trois-Rivieres, Canada). **Democratic elections and ethnic alliances**

Martin Revayi Rupiya (University of South Africa, Pretoria). **“Winning elections” in African “republican dynasties” of Togo, Gabon, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Equatorial Guinea: 2005 – 2018**

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Ariadna P. Pozdnyakova (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Peculiarities of the electoral system of Sao Tome and Principe**

Augusto Manuel Saraiva do Nascimento Diniz (University of Lisbon and Porto University, Portugal). **Elections in São Tomé and Príncipe: From redemptive democracy to authoritarian restoration?**

Svetlana M. Shlyonskaya (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Madagascar 2018 presidential elections: Towards a new crisis?**

November 2, Friday

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

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Natalia F. Matveeva (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Presidential elections in the context of political processes in Kenya (The winner takes all)**

Maria Piotrowska (University of Warsaw, Poland). **Ethnicization of politics in Kenyan 2017 elections**

Ilya V. Ponomaryov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Implementation of a new constitution and attempts to destabilize the socio-political situation in Kenya**

11:30 A.M. – NOON

COFFEE BREAK

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NOON – 2 P.M.

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Liubov Ya. Prokopenko (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **The electoral process in Zambia: A quarter of a century of political pluralism**

Marcelo Bittencourt (Fluminense Federal University, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and University of Lisbon, Portugal). **The Angolan elections of 1992**

Sergei V. Nenashev (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Angola's general elections of 2017**

Andrei Tokarev (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Moçambique está se preparando para eleições universais de 2019**

2 P.M. – 3 P.M.

LUNCH

3 P.M. – 6 P.M.

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Eldar R Salakhedinov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Elections of Robert Mugabe: It doesn't matter who votes, what matters is who counts the votes**

Vladimir Shubin (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Election in Zimbabwe: Free and fair?**

Veronica Nmoma Robinson (University of North Carolina, Charlotte, USA). **Zimbabwean election in a changing new world order**

Alexandra Arkhangelskaya (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Elections in South Africa: History, foreign policy and political psychology**

Tatiana Deych (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **Elections in Africa and China's position: African opinion**

Andrey Yu. Urnov (Institute for African Studies, Moscow, Russia). **The United States and Elections in Africa**

6 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.
CLOSING CEREMONY
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Final remarks from the officials of the Institute for African Studies (Russian Academy of Sciences), the African Studies Center (Porto University), and Conference participants.

6:30 P.M. – 8 P.M.
RECEPTION
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