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The conference is being hosted by the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale and Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg.

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NORMATIVE SPACES IN AFRICA

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Programme

Friday, 8 November 2013

(Venue: Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology)

14:00 OPENING SESSION

Welcome Address

Marie-Claire Foblets / Günther Schlee (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle/Saale)

Richard Rottenburg / Christian Tietje (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

Introductory Thoughts on African Normative Spaces

Thilo Maruhn (Justus-Liebig University Giessen)

14:30 PANEL 1: NORMATIVE SPACES' DISPUTE SETTLEMENTS

Chairs: *Olaf Zenker (University of Bern), Hakeem Yusuf (University of Strathclyde, UK)*

- African Concepts of Conflict Resolution
Kangnikoe Bado (Justus-Liebig University Giessen)
- Resolution of Inter-state Conflicts in Africa: The Limits of Arbitration and Adjudication
Seyoum Yohannes Tesfay (Addis Ababa University)
- The Status of African Traditional Courts in Light of International Human Rights Law
Prosper Maguchu (Justus-Liebig University Giessen)

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16:00 *Coffee Break*

16:30 **PANEL 2: ACTS AND ACTORS OF CONSTITUTIONALISMS FRAMING NORMATIVE SPACES**

Chairs: *Jill Cotrell Ghai (Katiba Institute Nairobi), Hashim Mohammad (Addis Ababa University),*

- Implications of External and Internal Actors on the Constitution-Making Acts in the Sudan
Markus Böckenförde (Käthe Hamburger Kolleg)
- Forced Migration, Religion and Culture: A Role for the Kampala Convention on Internally Displaced Persons?
Bonaventure Rutinwa (University Dar es Salaam)

17:30 **AFRICAN LAW ASSOCIATION MEMBERS' MEETING**

19:00 **PUBLIC LECTURE**

(Venue: „Löwengebäude“ - Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

Chair: *Christian Tietje (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)*

Fortunes of Constitutions in Africa and the Problematic of Constitutionalism

Yash P. Ghai (University of Hong Kong)

Discussant: *Ben Chigara (Brunel Law School, London)*

20:30 **Dinner** (at one's own expenses, except speakers)
Restaurant: *Hallesches Brauhaus (Große Nikolaistraße 2, Halle)*

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(Venue: „Burse zur Tulpe“ - Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

09:00 **PANEL 3: RESOURCES AND LAND RIGHTS DISTRIBUTION**

Chairs: *Dominik Kohlhagen (University of Antwerp),*

KEYNOTE: NORMATIVE SPACES: RESOURCES AND LAND RIGHTS DISTRIBUTION - INTRODUCTORY THOUGHTS

Fikremarkos Merso Birhanu (Addis Ababa University)

- Land Grabbing in Ethiopia: Towards Attracting Foreign Direct Investment
Daniel Behailu (Justus-Liebig University Giessen)
- Whither Courts? Forest Protection in Kenya: Case Study of Mau Forest
Hannah Wamuyu Wanderi (University Dar es Salaam)

10:30 *Coffee Break*

11:00 **PANEL 4: NORMATIVE SPACES IN THE CONTEXT OF SOCIETY AND CULTURES**

Chair: *Kelly Askew (University of Michigan)*

- Gender and Labour Law in Tanzania
Tulia Ackson (University Dar es Salaam)
- Women and Electoral Rights in East Africa: The Perspective of Tanzanian Electoral Laws
Victoria Lihiru (University Dar es Salaam)

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12:00 *Lunch Break*

13:15 **PANEL 4: NORMATIVE SPACES IN THE CONTEXT OF SOCIETY AND CULTURES**

Chair: *Hatem Elliesie (Freie Universität Berlin)*

- Democratic Governance, Gender Equality and Traditional Communities in South Africa
Lisa Heemann (Justus-Liebig Universität Giessen)
- Courts of Sharia as State and Religious Institution
Girmachew Alemu Aneme (Addis Ababa University)

14:15 **CONCLUDING SESSION**

Normative Spaces in Africa - Concluding Thoughts

Gordon Woodman (University of Birmingham)

15:00 **Farewell / Coffee on the Run**
African Law Association Board's Meeting

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