

# Emerging Africa: moment or momentum? Critical transitions

Thursday 1 March 2012

9:00 – 9:30 Registration

9:30– 10:00 **Vincent Hoffmann-Martinot** (Sciences Po Bordeaux) *Welcome address;*  
**Catherine Gegout & Daniel C. Bach**, *Introduction to the Co-reach project and the workshop*

10:00 – 12:00 REVERSAL OF ORDER

Chair: **Catherine Gegout**; discussant: **Paul-Simon Handy**

**Antonin Fotso** (Total) *Africa as a global energy frontier*

**Adama Gaye** (Stanford University & Dakar) *A coveted continent; the revival of summitry and public diplomacy*

**Daniel C. Bach** (Emile Durkheim Centre), *Africa as a frontier, a global interface and a mirror*

13:45 - 15:45 STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATIONS

Chair: **David U. Enweremadu**; discussant: **Daniel Compagnon**

**Alice Sindzingre** (CNRS, University of Paris West and SOAS, London) *Commodities' ambivalence: China as a driver of structural change and status quo in Sub-saharan Africa*

**Ward Anseeuw** (CIRAD & University of Pretoria) *The rush for land: resource grabbing or green revolution?*

**Sean Woolfrey** (Tralac Stellenbosch) *Emerging Africa or emerging Africas? Shifting perspectives and options for region-building*

16:15 -17:45 THE DIVERSIFICATION OF POLITICAL INTERACTIONS

Chair: **Christopher Clapham**; discussant: **Adama Gaye**

**Catherine Gegout**, *From Bunia to Tripoli: European interventionism in a deadlock*

**Anton Pillay** (University of Johannesburg) & **Chris Landsberg** (University of Johannesburg), *Dancing with the BRICS? South Africa's foreign policy*

## Friday 2 March 2012

9:00 - 10:30 FRESH OPPORTUNITIES, CRITICAL CHOICES

Chair: **Disa Håstad**; discussant: **Sean Woolfrey**

**Paul-Simon Handy** (ISS, Pretoria) *Rising Africa: new opportunities for whom and to what effect?*

**Raquel Freitas** (ISCTE, Lisbon) & **Luis Mah** (ISEG, Lisbon) *The marketplace of aid in Africa: choice in critical transitions*

11:00 – 13:00 IS THERE A FLYING DRAGON MODEL?

Chair: **Devon Curtis**; discussant: **Luis Mah**

**Shogo Suzuki** (Manchester University) *The 'exceptional state' in the developing world: Sino African relations and the politics of image management*

**Honita Cowaloosur** (University of St Andrews) *The Chinese special economic zones in Africa: new hubs or concessions?*

**Daniel Compagnon** (Sciences Po Bordeaux) &

**Audrey Alejandro** (Sciences Po Bordeaux) *Discursive traps, complex interactions and new policy trends: China's unsustainable development in Africa revisited*

14:15 – 16:00 POLITICS AND POLICIES

Chair: **Shogo Suzuki**; discussant: **Daniel C. Bach**

**Devon Curtis** (Cambridge University) *China and the politics of extraversion: the Democratic Republic of the Congo*

**David U. Enweremadu** (University of Ibadan), *Managing expectations: politics and policy in Nigeria*

**Ian Taylor** (University of St Andrews), *The Arab spring and sino-african relations*

16:15 – 17:15 CONCLUDING SESSION

**Christopher Clapham** (Cambridge University) & **Disa Håstad** (Stockholm), *Overview and introduction to the discussion*

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