

# NEW TRENDS IN AFRICAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

## the African Studies Colloquium

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*Tuesday, 27th May*

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9.00 - 9.30

Registration (room 335)

9.30 - 10.30

Opening of the Venue

Dean of the Faculty of Oriental Studies Professor Agata Bareja-Starzyska  
Head of Chair of African Languages and Cultures Professor Beata Wójtowicz

Keynote Speaker

Professor Zygmunt Frajzyngier, University of Colorado  
*Empathy and Indifference: A Contribution to the Domain of Modality*

10.30 - 12.00

Morning Session (room 335)  
*Linguistics*

10.30 - 11.00

Professor Lionel Posthumus  
(University of Johannesburg)  
*Analyzing and Describing the Verb in Bantu Languages*

11.00 - 11.30

Kamilu Dahiru  
(Bayero University Kano/ University of Warsaw)  
*Context is A Key Aspect of Words Meaning in Hausa Language: A Case Study of Some Speeches of Malam Aminu*

11.30-12.00

Aleksander Kacprzak  
(Adam Mickiewicz University)  
*The Linguistic and Cultural Specificity of the Concept of Love in Amharic*

12.00 - 13.30

Lunch Break

13.30 - 15.30

Afternoon Session

Panel I (room 332)  
*Culture and Society*

Panel II (room 327)  
*Cultural Transitions*

13.30 - 14.00

Mitchell Chibvamindu (University of Warsaw)  
*The implications of language and culture in development work among minority communities: A case study of Save the Children in Binga, Zimbabwe*

Suleiman Yakubu (University of Pardubice)  
*The Effect of the Positive and Negative Sides of Foreign Cultures on African Societies: The Nigerian Experience*

14.00 - 14.30

Papa Ousmane Diedhou (University of Warsaw)  
*Understanding the Marginalization of Minority Languages in Senegal*

Mearg Abebe (University of Warsaw)  
*Cultural Shifts in Tigray The Impact of Foreign Influence on Indigenous Traditions*

14.30 - 15.00

Godswill Okiyi (University of Warsaw)  
*Nigeria's Diaspora in Poland's Perception of Social Media Platforms' Reportage of News Stories/Events from the Country*

Maidei Nyahwema (University of Warsaw)  
*Shona Traditional Marriage Practices and Effects of Modernity*

15.00 - 15.30	Talent Siwela (University of Warsaw) <i>"Your madness is not our madness!", A conceptualization of Western Psychological Models vs. African Traditional healing and mental health in Sub-Saharan Africa: A case of Zimbabwe</i>	Arthur Muhia (University of Pécs) <i>Role of Kiswahili-English Spoken Word Poetry in the Rise of the 2024 Gen Z Protests Against Patrimonial Political Culture in Kenya</i>
15:30-16:00	Coffee break	
16.00 - 18.00	Evening Session	
	Panel I (room 332) Cultural Texts	Panel II (room 327) Identity and Modernity
16.00 - 16.30	Kibrom Gebremariam (University of Warsaw) <i>Crafting Culture: Ethnoarchaeology of Pottery, Gender Roles, and Social Dynamics in Mekelle, Northern Ethiopia</i>	Marta Jackowska-Uwadizu (University of Warsaw) <i>Beyond the Desert: The Evolution of Tuareg Identity in the Digital Era</i>
16.30 - 17.00	Augustine Dickinson (University of Münster) <i>Malkə'a Ləssān ('Image of the Tongue'): An Ethiopic Supplicatory Hymn of Protection from Sins of the Tongue</i>	Michał Żółkoś (University of Warsaw) <i>Between Scripture and Survival: Language, Identity, and Mission: Operation Mobilization and Spiritual Expression at the Africa Love Conference in Zambia</i>
17.00 - 17.30	Elizaveta Shvarts (University of Hamburg) <i>First-printed Ethiopian Psalters: between tradition, innovation and agenda</i>	Mateusz Pastor (University of Warsaw) <i>The Use of Swahili Among African Americans: Language, Identity and Cultural Reclamation.</i>
17.30 - 18.00	Gertrud Jäger (University of Leipzig) <i>The Secular Use of Wolof ajami in Dakar, Senegal</i>	Weronika Kozłowska (University of Warsaw) <i>Creating Language Policies in Malawi</i>