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Center for African Peace & Conflict Resolution

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Thursday, April 30, 2009

12:30p.m.-6:30p.m. REGISTRATION
Redwood Room, University Union, First floor

1:00-2:45p.m.: Plenary A: An Inquiry into the Concept of Soul in African Diaspora Art, Politics and Philosophy as a Mediating Discourse of Justice & Peace

Presenters: Kimberly Folkes, CSU, Sacramento: TBA
Darryl Omar Freeman, CSU, Sacramento: TBA
Tony Tinker, CSU, Sacramento: TBA

Chair: Ricky Green, CSU, Sacramento

2:50-4:50p.m.: Concurrent Panel 1
Religion and Societal Values

Religious Practices: The Bane of Peace & Justice, A Continuum in Nigeria, Ogugua V.C. Ikpeze, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Nigeria

Chair: Sylvester Bowie, CAPCR CSU, Sacramento

2:50-4:50p.m.: Concurrent Panel 2
Religion, Ethnicity and Peace Education

Religion and Ethnic Identity in Ethiopia: Christian-Muslim Relation in Wollo, Teshager Mersha, St. Mary’s University College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The religion, factor of peace, and violence, Jean Mwabantu, Foundation Afrika, Bujumbura, Burundi

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The Clergy Class, Domination and Accumulation in Nigeria, Victor Adefemi Isumona, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Church Homilies and Saundry Activities as Indicator of their Core Values with Particular Reference to Inter-Faith Dialogue: A Case Study of Religious Institutions in Benin City, Nigeria, P.Chukwugozie Maduka, University of Benin, Nigeria

The Effect of Modern Religion on the African Value System: Differences in Perception by Africans in Africa and the Diaspora, Larry Ngozi Arafiena, Family Hope Association, Asaba, Nigeria

Proliferation of Religious Groups on Nigerian Campuses: Keeping Religious and Educational Interests on Equipoise, Kayode O. Fayokun, Kampala International University, Kampala, Uganda

Chair: Ricky Green, CSU, Sacramento

Religion and Peace-building in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ayo Whetho, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Peace Education for Ethnic Groups in South-East, Nigeria: Implications for Conflict Resolution, Faith Ebele Anyachebelu and Ada Anyamene,
Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Nigeria
Faith-Based Education for Ethnic Cohesion: Gender Sensitive Dialogues for Strengthening the Capacity for Sustainable Culture of Peace in Niger Delta, Nigeria, Virgy Onyene and T.V. Bakare, University of Lagos, Nigeria

Chair: Lila Jacobs, CAPCR CSU, Sacramento

Thursday, April 30, 2009
5:00-6:00p.m. Reception: University Union Redwood Room

Friday, May 1, 2009
8:30a.m.–5:00p.m. REGISTRATION: University Union Redwood Room
9:00a.m. African drumming: TBA
9:10a.m. Call to Order: Moderator Don Taylor, CSU, Sacramento
9:20a.m. OPENING by Ernest Byfield, CAPCR Director
9:25a.m. Welcome Remarks
- Lila Jacobs, CAPCR Board Vice-Chair
- Boatamo Mosupyoe, Director Pan African Studies & Cooper Woodson College
- Bruce Bickle, Chair, Faculty Senate
- Miguel Cervantes, ASI President
- Marilyn Hopkins, Dean, College of Health & Human Services
- Joseph Sheley, Provost & VP Academic Affairs
9:55a.m. Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Don Taylor, CSU, Sacramento
10a.m. Plenary B

Keynote 1: Religion/ethnic relations in Africa: creating justice and peace dialogues, Kelechi Kalu, Ohio State University, Columbus.
Keynote 2: Introduction of Keynote speaker, Sylvester Bowie, CAPCR CSU, Sacramento

Echoes of History: Peace, Justice and Idealism in the 21st Century, Judith Byfield, Cornell University, New York
11: 50a.m.-1:00p.m. Lunch (on your own; see list of campus eateries)
1:00-3:00p.m. Concurrent Panel 3
The politics of justice, ethnicity and conflict resolution
The Conflict Between Customary Rights of Female Inheritance and Statutory Provisions of Inheritance in Nigeria, Oluyemisi Abimbola, Lead City University, Ibadan, Nigeria
The Impact of the ICC on Conflicts in Northern Uganda and Darfur, Nicki Alam, The Brookings Institution, Washington, DC
The Power and the Glory: The Role of Religion, Ethnicity and Wealth in the Choice of Political Leaders in Africa; A Study of the Choice of Running Mates in Ghana’s Presidential Election, Eric Nii
Yarboi Mensah, Sam Okudzeto & Associates law firm, Accra, Ghana

Chair: Browne Onuoha, CSU-Sacramento/University of Lagos, Nigeria
1:00-3:00p.m. Concurrent Panel 4
‘Just’ war, the non state, ethnicity and conflict resolution

Cannabis Cultivation and Trade in Morocco: Examining Links to Terror Finance Amanda Towler, LBJ School of Public Policy, Austin, Texas

Are Ethnic Politics Inevitable? Lessons from Senegal, Dominika Anna Koter, Yale University, New Haven.

The Tiv-Jukun Conflict, the State and Human Rights Violations in Central Nigeria A.O. Banjo, University of Zululand, South Africa

Africa’s Scramble for Africa: The Changing Nature of International Relations in Sub-Saharan Africa, Jennifer De Maio, California State University, Northridge

Rationalizing the Rwanda Genocide: The Irrationality of a Three-Player Decision Game Eric. H. Honda

Chair: Kaylene Richards-Ekeh, CSU-Sacramento

3:00-3:15p.m.: Break

3:15-5:15p.m.: Concurrent Panel 5
Youth, Religion and Marriage and International Exchanges


Lizzy Uche Onwumah, Concern for Peace and Society Survival, Asaba, Nigeria, and Paul Owumi, Office of the Governor of Delta State, Nigeria

Rebirth in the Refugees Diaspora: Organizing Somali Youth Around Religion, Gender and Culture in San Diego, California, Jesse Mills, University of San Diego

The Role of Islam and Islamic Law in Childhood Marriages, Tonja Khabir, Fisk University, Nashville, TN

The origins and patterns of migration of Southern Sudanese ethnic and linguistic groups, Scopas S. Poggo, Ohio State University, Mansfield campus

Chair: Beatrice Rusell, CAPCR-CSU-Sacramento

3:15-5:15p.m.: Concurrent Panel 6
Ethnicity, Democracy and Justice Dialogues

Ethno-Politics and Tribal Violence: The Case of Ethnic-Based Conflicts in Post 1991 Ethiopia, Markos Mezmur, St. Mary’s University College, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Influence of Westernization and Monarchism in Ethnic Conflicts: Case of Owo, South-West, Nigeria, 2003-2007 Conflicts, Olumide Coker, Achievers University, Owo, Nigeria
Sudan: Is the discovery of oil promoting racial and religious unity?  
Jacqueline Munalula Msiitwa, Drexel University

Democratic Principles and Sports Ethics: the Imperatives of Sustainable Culture of Peace and Non-Violence in West Africa, Virgy Onyene and Joseph Olayinka Awoyinfa, University of Lagos, Nigeria, and Ousmane Gueye, Universite de Cheik Anta Diop, Dakar, Senegal

Chair: Cecil Canton, CAPCR CSU, Sacramento

5:30-9:00p.m.: Sacramento site seeing/Dinner (Optional, non host)

Saturday, May 2: 8:30a.m.-3:00p.m. Registration contd. Redwood, University Union. Refreshments provided.

8:30-10:45a.m.: Concurrent Panel 7  
Gender, Media, Ethnicity and Peace Building

Best practices for creating peace and justice dialogues: Memory, performative art, and the TRCs on the African Diaspora stage, Veronica K. Ehrenreich, University of California, Santa Barbara

Gendering War, searching for peace and reconciliation in President Sirleaf’s speeches, Beatrice Russell, CAPCR CSU, Sacramento

Using Institutional Mechanism for Peace Building and Conflict Management in Nigeria: The Case of Nigeria Interreligious Council (NIREC), Ekundayo O. Babatunde, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

The Media and Cultural Identity in Africa, Euloge Ishimwe, World Scout Bureau Africa Regional Office, Washington, DC

Violence Against Women in Conflict Situation: A Deterrent to Peace Building and Sustainable Economic Development in Nigeria and the African Continent  
Lizzy Uche Onwumah, Concern for Peace and Society Survival, Asaba, Nigeria

Chair: Jessie Gaston CSU, Sacramento

8:45a.m.-10:45a.m.: Concurrent Panel 8  
Ethnicity and Peace-building Dialogues

Are Ethnic Politics Inevitable? Lessons from Senegal, Dominika Anna Koter, Yale University, New Haven

Effect of Socio-Legal Intervention in Building Sustainable Peace in Post – Conflict Ife – Modakeke Communities of Nigeria, Adeleke M. O., Obafemi Awolowo University Ile – Ife, Nigeria., and Ekundayo, E.O., University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Africa, the future land of peace – A case of proactive grassroots peace building  

Dealing with Traditional Asymmetrical Societies in Ethiopia: A New Approach to Conflict Resolution, Abebe Getachew, Alternative Dispute Resolution Initiative, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Chair: Kebede Gashaw, CAPCR

10:55a.m.-12:30p.m.: Plenary C


Discussants:
Nii Akuetteh, Washington, DC
Mel Foote, Constituency for Africa, Washington, DC
Judith Byfield, Cornell University, New York
Kelechi Kalu, Ohio State University, Columbus
Browne Onuoha, University of Lagos, Nigeria

TBAs
Chair: Ernest Uwazie

12:30-1:10p.m.: Lunch (on your own)

1:10-2:10p.m.: Plenary D
Conclusion/Summary/Resolution

Co-Chairs: Ernest Uwazie and Boatamo
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- Don Taylor, CSU, Sacramento

Awardees: TBA

6:30p.m.-1a.m.: Peace Awards Dinner/Dance---African food/music!!!!
California State University, Sacramento University Union Ballroom

Guest/Keynote Speaker: His. Excellency, Atiku Abubakar, Immediate Past Vice-President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Managing interethnic/religious conflicts in Nigeria
Parking

Ask for how to purchase parking permit from information kiosk, at either entrance to Sacramento State campus. No permit is required for May 2, Saturday.

Hotels

Goodnite Inn: 25 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95826. Phone (916) 386-8408. Price: $53.00 per night. Continental Breakfast included. Mention that you are a Sacramento State guest.

Motel 6: 7850 College Town Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826. Phone (916) 383-8110. Price: $50.52 per night (tax included).

Larkspur Landing Hotel: 555 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95826. Phone (916) 646-1212. Price $95.40 per night (tax included). Sacramento State rate includes breakfast, wireless internet, fitness center, and laundry.

Sacramento Airport Transportation

Super Shuttle: 1-800-258-3826

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Creating Peace & Justice Dialogues

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May 2, 2009
Peace Awards Dinner  [ ] $35.00  [add $5 at door]

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May 2, 2009
Peace Awards Dinner & Reception  [ ] $50.00  [add $5 at door]

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