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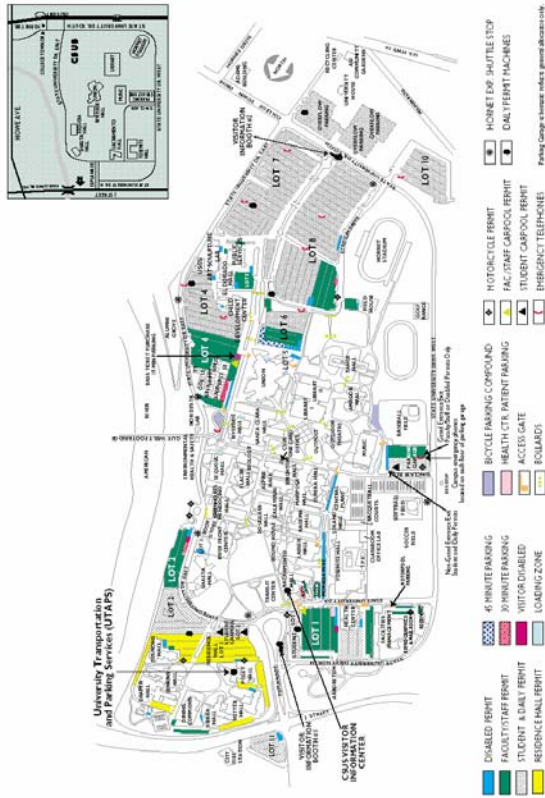
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Preliminary Program

Thursday, April 26, 2007

12-6:30pm: Registration: Redwood Room, University Union, 1st floor

1:00-2:30pm: Plenary 1: *The Influence of African Immigrants on Black Political Attitudes and Behavior in the United States (1990-2006): Redwood Room*

- **Toni Tinker- Bohannon** and **Kim Folkes**, California State University, Sacramento: *Developing Political Attitudes and Behavior through Cultural Connections.*
- **Darryl Freeman** and **Keena Toney**, California State University, Sacramento: *African Born Residents Contribute a Renewed Sense of Communalism to African American Political Thought.*
- **Laiza Garza** and **Jody Johnson**, California State University, Sacramento: *The Influence of African Immigrant Economic Activity on Black Politics.*

- **Ashlin Washington** and **Constance Slider**, California State University, Sacramento; **Kyanna Williams**, University of Davis Law School: *The Influence of African Immigrants on Black Political Attitudes and Behavior in the United States.*

Chair: **Ricky Green**, CSUS

2:30-3:30pm: Plenary 2: A Special World Bank ADR Project: Redwood Room

Ernest Uwazie and **Patrick Cannon**, California State University, Sacramento, **Daniel Yamshon**, CAPCR: *Compilation of Case Studies/Database and Lessons on Alternative Dispute Resolution(ADR) Mechanisms in Post-Conflict Contexts.*

Chair: **Ernest Uwazie**, California State University, Sacramento

3:30-5:30pm: Concurrent Panel I: African Women: Health, Law and Development, Lobby Suite (Cypress Room)

- **Richmond Achugbu**, Nawgu General Hospital, Anambra State, Nigeria: *Traditional Beliefs, Maternal and Child Health in Rural South- Eastern Nigeria, Which Way?*
- **Margaret Lutilo**, Local African Women Initiative for Development, Kenya: *Gender and Development with Internally Displaced People in Western Kenya.*
- **Ogugua V.C. Ikpeze** and **Carol Arinze-Umobi**, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State Nigeria: *The Clash of Repugnancy and Fundamental Rights Violation: Gay/Lesbian, Woman to Woman Marriages In Nigeria Under Legal Searchlight.*
- **Marlyn J. Jones**, California State University, Sacramento: *Comparison of Legislation Addressing Violence Against Women and Girls.*

Chair: **Boatamo Mosupyoe**, California State University, Sacramento

3:30-5:30pm: Concurrent Panel II: Alternative Dispute Resolution and Peacebuilding in Africa, Lobby Suite (Sequoia Room)

- **Anastase Shyaka**, National University of Rwanda, Butare, Rwanda: *Home Grown Mechanisms of Peace Building in Post genocide Rwanda: the Case of Mediators (Abunzi).*
- **Chima Nwogu**, Chevron Nigeria Limited, Lagos, Nigeria: *An Evaluation of ADR Mechanisms as a tool for conflict resolution in the Oil and Gas producing areas of the Niger Delta Region, Nigeria, West Africa.*
- **Anne Amadi**, Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA), Nairobi, Kenya: *Alternative Dispute Resolution- The FIDA- Kenya Experience.*
- **Victoria Lehau Maloka**, South African Human Rights Commission, South Africa: *Role of National Human Rights Institutions in Conflict Management and Peacebuilding.*
- **Nene A.O. Amegatcher**, Ghana Association of Mediators and Arbitrators-Accra, Ghana: *Dawning of a New Era for Commercial Court and ADR in Ghana*

Chair: **Kelechi Kalu**, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley

3:30-5:30pm: Concurrent Panel III: Conflicts and Resolution in Africa, Redwood Room

- **Cyriaque- Robert Yavoucko**, University of Bangui, Bangui, Central African Republic: *Chronic Political Military Instability: Case Study of the Central African Republic (1900-2006)*.
- **Arline Prigoff**, California State University, Sacramento: *Strategies for Conflict Resolution in Darfur- the western Region of Sudan*.
- **Chuks Emma Ezedum**, University of Nigeria Nsukka, Nigeria: *Practice of ADR in a Typical Nigerian Urban Community*.
- **Eric H. Honda**, Independent Researcher, Stockton, California: *Majority Rules or Minorities Rights?: Managing Ethnic Conflict in Africa through One-Party Dominant Regimes*.
- **Albaqir A. Mukhtar**, Khatim Adlan Center for Enlightenment and Human Rights Development, Khartoum, Sudan: *The Darfur Peace Agreement(DPA): lessons learned from a flawed process*.

Chair: **Getachew Metaferia**: Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland

5:30-7:00p.m.

Reception: **Redwood Room**, University Union.

Special Presentation: **Ursula Payne**: Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, Slippery Rock:
Using Creative Inquiry to Liberate Expression

Friday, April 27

8:30a.m-5pm

REGISTRATION: **Redwood Room**, UNIVERSITY UNION

9:00a.m.

Call to Order: Moderator: **Marlyn Jones**, California State University, Sacramento

African drumming: **Kamau Mensah**, Komedenu, Sacramento

9:15am.

OPENING: **Ernest Uwazie**, Director, CAPCR

9:25a.m.:

Welcome Remarks:

Cecil Canton, CAPCR Board Chair

Boatamo Mosupyoe, Director, Pan African Studies

Jesus Andrade, President, Associated Students

Marilyn Hopkins, Dean, College of Health & Human Services

9:55a.m.

Introduction of Keynote Speaker: **Patrick Cannon**, California State University, Sacramento

10a.m.: Plenary 3: Keynote Address: Redwood Room

Keynote: **Mr. Nii Akuetteh**, Executive Director, Africa Action, Washington, DC: *Building a culture of peace in Africa: best practices/models.*

11:20am-11:50am: Vickie Butcher, Water for Children Africa, San Diego, California: *Building bridges between US-Africa.*

11: 50am-1:20pm: Lunch

1:20-3:20pm: Concurrent Panel IV: African Culture, Natural Resources and Human Rights, Hinde Auditorium

- **Ogugua V.C. Ikpeze** and **Carol Arinze-Umobi**, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State Nigeria: *Fundamentality of Cultural Respect to Rights Issue: The Bane for Sustained Peace and Development in Africa.*
- **Edna Udobong**, Counselor at Law and Legal Scholar, Silver Spring, MD: *Searching for Social Environmental Justice in a Jungle of Militants: The Case of Minority Rights and Minority Oil Wealth in the Niger Delta.*
- **Rhuks Temitope Ako**, Kent Law School, Canterbury, UK: *Nigeria's Land Use Act: An Anti-Thesis to Environmental Justice?*
- **Daniel Ogbaharya**, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona: *The Impact of Institutional Disarray on Community-based Management of Resource conflicts in sub-Saharan Africa: A comparison on Namibia and Uganda.*
- **Baruti Katembo**, Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Florida: *Africa, Seeds, and Biofuel.*
- **Cyprian Onwuli (Rev. Fr.)**, Diocese of Port Harcourt, Nigeria: *role of the church in peace and development in the Niger Delta, Nigeria.*

Chair: **Marlyn Jones**, California State University, Sacramento

1:20-3:20pm: Concurrent Panel V: African Culture and Justice, Lobby Suite (Cypress Room)

- **Don John Otene Omale**, De Montfort University, Leicester, UK: *Re-building the African Culture of Peace and Dispute Resolution through Restorative Justice: A review of Afro-centric evidence.*
- **Setri Dzivenu**, University of Edinburgh, Scotland: *Traditional Justice and Reconciliation Mechanisms: A Case of Anlo-Ewes in Ghana.*
- **Kisiangani Emmanuel Nalianya**, University of the Witwatersrand, Braamfontein, Gauteng, South Africa: *Transitional Justice and Peace building: The Case of South Africa.*
- **Barth Okoye- Aniche, Esq.**, Nigerian Bar Association, Aba, Nigeria: *Access to Justice in Nigeria: The Imperatives of Customary Arbitration.*

Chair: **Godfrey N. Uzoigwe**, Mississippi State University, Starkville

1:20- 3:20pm: Concurrent Panel VI: African cultural values and Peace building, Lobby Suite (Sequoia Room)

- **Agrippa O. Ezozo**, University of California, Los Angeles; **Itibari M. Zulu**, Mesa Community College, Mesa, Arizona: *From the Grassroots: Peace Building in Africa and the Diaspora.*

- **Ibara François**, NEPAD, Brazzaville, Republic of Congo: *Building a culture of peace in Congo-Brazzaville*.
- **Martha Bragin**, California State University, San Bernardino: *Reintegration of Former Rebel Fighters: Toward best practice in conflict transformation*.
- **Chukwugozie Maduka**, University of Benin, Benin City, Nigeria: *Values, Beliefs and Information as Ontological Imperatives in Conflict generation and resolution: Case Studies in Nigeria History*.
- **Hala- Asmina Ibrahim**, Ohio University, Athens: *A Nation in Turmoil: Is Education to Blame? An Analysis of Sudan National Primary School Curriculum*.

Chair: **Kaylene Richards Ekeh**, California State University, Sacramento

3:20-3:35pm: Break: Refreshments provided

3:35-5:35pm: Concurrent Panel VII: Peace building in the African culture, family, and diaspora, Lobby Suite (Cypress Room)

- **J.K. Ayantayo**, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria: *Ancestry Symbolical Elements as Instrument for Resolving Inheritance/ Property Conflicts among Yoruba People, Nigeria*.
- **Lizzy Uche Onwumah**, Concern for Peace and Society Survival, Asaba, Nigeria: *Adolescents and Development in Nigeria- A minus on African Continental Development*.
- **Cara E. Hauck**, University of Florida, Gainesville: *Playing for Peace: Incorporating Children's Games into Post-Conflict Reconciliation*.
- **Nunu Kidane & Derethia Duval**, Priority Africa Network, Berkeley, California: *"Africa Diaspora Dialogues"*.

Chair: **Jessie Gaston**, California State University, Sacramento

3:35- 5:35pm: Concurrent Panel VIII: Truth and Reconciliation Commissions & Democracy in Africa, Lobby Suite (Sequoia Room)

- **Andrea Grove**, California State University Channel Islands, Camarillo: *Resisting Change: Mugabe Against the People's Struggle in Zimbabwe, 1998-2005*.
- **Robert Kwame Ameh**, Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford, Canada: *Transitional Justice: Truth and Reconciliation Commissions in Africa*.
- **Matthew Ozonnia Ojielo**, United Nations Development Programme, Accra, Ghana: *"Truth and Reconciliation in Sierra Leone: The Road Not Taken"*.
- **Johnson Kwame Yeboah**, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark: *Participatory democracy- a catalyst for economic and social progress in Africa*.

Chair: **Erin Stiles**, California State University, Sacramento

Program

Saturday, April 28, 2006

8:15am-2pm: Registration Cont. Redwood Room.

Morning Tea/coffee/pastries provided

8:30am-10:40am: Plenary 4: Developing Criteria/Instruments for Assessment & Evaluation of ADR and Conflict Resolution Projects in Africa: Redwood Room.

Since the 1990s, there have been concerted efforts and emphasis on peace and conflict resolution in Africa, as a precondition for democracy and development, motivated by both internal and external agencies. Since then, there has been a proliferation of peace and conflict resolution programs, via training, practice, education, curriculum development, system design, policy directives, legislative mandates, advocacy, and program planning. However, questions persist on the success or effectiveness of the various projects and endeavors. This panel attempts to identify criteria and instruments for qualitative and quantitative monitoring, assessment and evaluation of conflict resolution projects in Africa—both at macro and micro-levels, short, medium, and long-term. It is anticipated that the initial dialogue in Sacramento will continue in Africa, with the ultimate goal of producing a useful and well informed document on the subject—to guide practitioners, scholars, policymakers, donors, and other stakeholders.

Discussants: Ernest Uwazie, California State University, Sacramento
Patrick Cannon, California State University, Sacramento
Lila Jacobs, California State University, Sacramento
Anne Amadi, FIDA-Kenya, Nairobi
Victoria Maloka, South African Human Rights Commission
Shyaka Anastase, National University of Rwanda, Butare
Kelechi Kalu, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley
Chima Nwogu, Chevron, Nigeria Ltd., Lagos, Nigeria
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Ozonnia Ojielo, UNDP, Accra, Ghana
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Albaqir A. Mukhtar, Khatim Adlan Center for Enlightenment and Human Rights Development, Khatoum, Sudan.

Facilitator: **Daniel Yamshon**, CAPCR

Co-Facilitator: **Patricia Holmes**, CAPCR

10:40am-12:50pm: Concurrent Panel IX: Culture & Conflict Resolution, Lobby Suite (Cypress Room)

- **Chukwugozi Maduka**, University of Benin, Benin City, Nigeria: *Evaluation of Ontological categories inherent in conflict Generation and Resolution.*
- **Isaac Olawale Albert and Perpetua Chiadikaobi**, University of Ibadan, Ibadan: *Formal Peace Education Initiatives in Nigeria and Ghana: Lessons for ECOWAS' Peace Protocol.*
- **Gbadebo Olusegun Odularu**, Covenant University, Ota, Nigeria: *Regional Trade Policy Reform as a Framework for Conflict Prevention in West Africa.*
- **Oluwale Adedeji**, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria & **Rhuks Temitope Ako**, Kent Law School, Canterbury, UK: *An Assessment of the Role of Mediation as a Conflict Resolution Mechanism in Nigeria's Oil-Industry.*
- **Newton S. Ekpo**, Providence Family & Educational Development Center, Sacramento, Ca: *The Revitalization of Fractured Nigeria Socioeconomic and Political systems: "A Pragmatic Approach".*

Chair: **Sylvester Bowie**, California State University, Sacramento

10:40am- 12:50pm: Concurrent Panel X: Conflict Resolution Institutionalization and Capacity building in Africa, Lobby Suite (Sequoia Room)

- **Ikaweba Bunting**, California State University, Long Beach: *Ubuntu, Ujamaa and Conflict Resolution.*
- **Susan Wanjiru Kinanjui**, Center for Development and Empowerment, Nairobi, Kenya: *Redeeming the synergies for conflict management, peace building and reconciliation in Africa: Enhancing the institutional capacities for the indigenous structures and mechanisms for conflict resolution and lasting peace in southern Sudan.*
- **Kelechi A. Kalu**, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley: *Electoral Politics, Violence and Conflict Management in Nigeria.*
- **Kola Olagbaiye**, Esq, University of Bradford, UK: *Significance of NGOs in Rebuilding War-torn Societies.*
- **Olajide Olagunju**, Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts: *African Peace through Local Capacity- Grassroots Leadership Peacebuilding Training and Networking.*

Chair: **Godfrey N. Uzoigwe**, Mississippi State University, Starkville

12:50-1:30pm: Lunch

1:30-2:30pm: Plenary 5: Conclusion/Summary, Redwood Room

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Ricky Green, California State University, Sacramento
Kaylene Richards Ekeh, California State University, Sacramento

Chair: **Ernest Uwazie**, California State University, Sacramento

6:30pm-1am: **Peace Awards Dinner/Dance---African food/music!!!!**
California State University, Sacramento Ballroom

Awardees: **Vickie Butcher**, Water for Children Africa, San Diego, California
Save Darfur, Washington, DC
FIDA-Kenya(Federation of Women Lawyers)

Master of Ceremony: **Edwin Okongo**, Comedian.

Special Guest Performance: **Ursula Payne**, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, Slippery
Rock: *Women folk: Swimming Upstream*

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1994: The African Heritage: Myths, Realities and Prospects, Dr. Molefi Asante

1995: Conflict Resolution in Africa, Former Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda

1996: The African Woman: An Agenda for the 21st century, Ms. Vivian Lowery Derryck

1997: African/African American Organizations in US: An Agenda for Political-Economic Empowerment in 21st Century, Mr. Mel Foote

1998: The African/African American Family: An Agenda for 21st century, Dr. Nkiru Nzegwu

1999: Conflict Resolution and Peace Education in Africa: Lessons and Opportunities, Dr. Chris Bakwesegha

2000: Africans in the Americas: Past, Present and Future, Dr. Ali Mazrui

2001: Hum Rights, Justice, Peace and Development in Africa, Dr. Edmond Keller

2002: African Studies in California Schools, Colleges and Universities: Teaching/Thinking Across Disciplines/Programs, Dr. Molefi Asante

2003: Ethnicity, Religion, and Conflict Diamonds in Africa, Dr. Charles Wedderburn

2004: African & African American Relations in US, Americas and Africa, Dr. Karenga Maulana.

2005: Contemporary/Critical Issues in African Development, Mr. John Prendergast.

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