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Chinese in Africa  
Africans in China  
Research Network

## **CHINA-AFRICA IN GLOBAL COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE**

**27-29 JUNE 2018**

**UNIVERSITE LIBRE DE  
BRUXELLES (ULB)**

**FINAL PROGRAMME**

## STREAM A: MIGRATION AND MOBILITIES, IDENTITIES AND VALUES

R42.4.110 (4<sup>th</sup> FLOOR) ROOM A

- Panel A1 Mobilities and identities
- Panel A2 Africans in China: navigating migrant life in China
- Panel A3 Gender and identity politics in Sino-African mobility flows
- Panel A4 Performative constructions of Afro-Chinese identity
- Panel A5 Everyday lives of Chinese in Africa
- Panel A6 Chinese goods in Africa
- Panel A7 Drugs, dietary supplements and Chinese machines: Pathways to medical hybridisation in Africa

## STREAM B: CULTURAL REPRESENTATIONS OF CHINA-AFRICA

R42.5.110 (5<sup>th</sup> FLOOR) ROOM B

- Panel B1 Exploring Francophone spaces in Africa-China engagements – Wits Africa-China Reporting Project Roundtable (in French)
- Panel B2 Emerging media landscapes
- Panel B3 Politics of knowledge production in China-Africa studies: fieldwork and methods roundtable
- Panel B4 Encounters in Literature
- Panel B5 Film: Wolf Warrior 2 Revisiting hard and soft Chinese power in Africa
- Panel B6 Cultural and educational engagements
- Panel B7 Photography and story-telling roundtable

## STREAM C: ENVIRONMENT, URBANISATION AND SPATIAL FOOTPRINT

R.42.5.503 (5<sup>th</sup> FLOOR AMPHITHEATRE) ROOM C

- Panel C1 Environmental stakes and social corporate responsibility
- Panel C2 Human and non-human animal relations
- Panel C3 Chinese-led urbanisation and industrialisation in Africa
- Panel C4 Ordinary Chinese spaces: shifting aesthetics, everyday life and urban forms
- Panel C5 Infrastructures of power: Chinese investment and dynamics of state reproduction in Africa
- Panel C6 China's internationalisation and new forms of territorialisation
- Panel C7 Infrastructure investment or development loans? Comparing theory and practice

## STREAM D: DEVELOPMENT AND SOUTH-SOUTH RELATIONS

R42.5.103 (5<sup>th</sup> FLOOR) ROOM D

- Panel D1 Re-examining the history of South-South relations
- Panel D2 Chinese development assistance: instruments and narratives
- Panel D3 Chinese involvements in communication systems in Africa
- Panel D4 Chinese firms and investment in Africa
- Panel D5 Afrique du nord: études de cas nationaux (in French)
- Panel D6 Afrique subsaharienne francophone: études de cas nationaux (in French)
- Panel D7 Chinese engagements in the Horn of Africa: ambitions, opportunities and challenges

## ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

27-29 JUNE 2018 - Université Libre de Bruxelles

WED 27 JUNE 2018 ULB SOLVAY BUSINESS SCHOOL  
42 Avenue Franklin Roosevelt

**8:00-9:00 Registration in atrium of Solvay Business School, ULB**

**9:15-9:45 Welcome Remarks, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor R42.5.503**

Solange Chatelard, ULB, Executive Board CA/AC

Marie-Frère Soleil, ULB, Head of International Development Cooperation

Vanessa Frangville, ULB, Director of East Asian Studies Centre

Yoon Jung Park, Executive Director, Chinese in Africa/Africans in China  
Research Network (CA/AC)

**10:00-11:30 STREAM A**

### PANEL A1 MOBILITIES AND IDENTITIES

- Johanna von Pezold (Peking University) and Miriam Driessen (University of Oxford), *Made in China, Fashioned in Africa*
- Wu Cong (Chinese Academy of Science) and Alice Nicole Sindzingre (Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique CNRS, France), *Language as a dimension of the economic relationships between China and Sub-Saharan Africa (with a focus on East Africa)*
- Zou Yijie (College of William and Mary) and Liu Ye (New School for Social Research), *Farmer is a miner too: a global connectivity between small-scale gold mining in Ghana and mining wasteland farm in China*
- Chair: Sasha Newell (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**10:00-11:30 STREAM B :**

**PANEL B1 EXPLORING FRANCOPHONE SPACES IN AFRICA-CHINA  
ENGAGEMENTS. WITS AFRICA-CHINA REPORTING PROJECT  
ROUNDTABLE (IN FRENCH)**

- Gerard Guèdègbé, (Africa -China Reporting Project /Wits Journalism), *Media and communication training expert*
- Christophe Assogba (SciDev.Net/Le Progrès, Benin), Journalist, *China and the looting of Beninese forests* (La Depeche newspaper, 17 November 2017)
- Hasna Belmekki (Morocco), Journalist, *Derb Omar: stronghold of the Chinese traders of Casablanca*
- Chair: Marie-Soleil Frère (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**10:00-11:30 STREAM C:**

**PANEL C1 ENVIRONMENTAL STAKES AND CORPORATE SOCIAL  
REPONSIBILITY**

- May Tan-Mullins (University of Nottingham Ningbo China), *Political ecology of corporate social responsibility of Chinese enterprises in Africa*
- Weng Xiaoxue (Centre for International Forestry Research CIFOR), *Chinese investments, environment and rural poverty in Africa: insights from agriculture, forestry and mining sectors in Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe*
- Sara Zumbika-Van Hoeymissen (University of Botswana), *China and the international responsibility to protect non-human animals: the case of ivory trade*
- Wang Duanyong (Shanghai International Studies University), *Infrastructure expansion and logging in the DRC: a case study of Chinese contractors*
- Chair: Coraline Goron (University of Oxford)

**10:00-11:30 STREAM D**

**PANEL D1 RE-EXAMINING THE HISTORY OF SOUTH-SOUTH RELATIONS**

- Vera Leigh Fennell (Lehigh University), *'Arise! All Those who Refuse to be Slaves!': Blackness as red China's soft power*
- Matthew Galway (University of California Berkeley), *"Mwalimu-ism" and Maoism: a comparative critique of post-independence development*
- Jodie Yuzhou Sun (University of Oxford), *Historicising African socialisms: Kenya's African socialism, Zambian humanism, and Communist China's entanglements*
- Andrea Azizi Kifyasi (University of Basel), *Cold War politics and medical aid to Africa: a case of Communist China's medical aid to post-colonial Tanzania.*
- Chair: Jamie Monson (Michigan State University).

**11:30-13h LUNCH : HOT BUFFET AND DRINKS IN ATRIUM**

**FOR CONFERENCE SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS ONLY**

**13:00 – 14:30 STREAM A**

**PANEL A2 AFRICANS IN CHINA: NAVIGATING MIGRANT LIFE IN CHINA**

- Heidi Haugen (University of Norway), *Finding a way out of China: an exploration of circumstantial migration*
- Su Ping (Sun Yat-sen University), *Education and integration of the second generation African immigrants in Guangzhou.*
- Wang Wei and Lucy Jordan (University of Hong Kong), *Unblessed union: African-Chinese couples in southern China*
- Michaela Pelican and Lai Pik Chan (University of Cologne), *Managing foreigners in China: perspectives from Ghangzhou and Shenzhen.*
- Chair: Qiu Yu (Independent Researcher)

## 13:00 – 14:30 STREAM B

### PANEL B2 EMERGING MEDIA LANDSCAPES

- Barry Van Wyk (University of the Witwatersrand), *Networking a quiet community: South African Chinese news reporting and networking*
- Li Hangwei (SOAS), *Unpacking Chinese private media landscapes in Africa: the case of Oriental Post Group and Global Max Media Group*
- Cai Yifan (Clark University), *Racial discourse in Chinese new media: a case study of the representation and perception of African workers on the Kuaishou app*
- Chair: Bob Wekesa (University of the Witwatersrand)

## 13:00 – 14:30 STREAM C

### PANEL C2 HUMAN AND NON-HUMAN ANIMAL RELATIONS

- Hongxiang Huang and Wang Jing (China House, Nairobi), *The roles of Chinese nationals in African illegal wildlife trade: myths, reality, and gaps*
- Boubacar Barry (Université de Thiès – ENSA, Senegal), *Chinese in Senegal: an Alterity within the limits of food and livestock (donkey)*
- Adewale Owoseni (University of Ibadan, Nigeria), *Contributions from Yoruba and Chinese worldviews to post-anthropocentric contention on human and animal relations*
- Suweon Kim (University of the Western Cape, South Africa), *“Stop killing OUR rhinos”: the political economy of rhino keeper identity*
- Chair: Vincent Chapaux, (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**13:00 – 14:30 STREAM D**

**PANEL D2 CHINESE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE IN AFRICA :  
INSTRUMENTS AND NARRATIVES**

- Christine Hackenesch (German Development Institute), *Birds of a feather flock together - The Chinese Communist Party meets African political parties*
- Christopher Chagnon (London Centre of International Law Practice), *Hard East Soft West? Investigating presumptions about trends in Chinese and Western development finance in Africa*
- Paul Kadetz (Drew University and University College London), *Outsourcing China's welfare: unpacking the outcomes of 'sustainable' self-development in Sino-African health diplomacy*
- Chair: Jean-Pierre Cabestan (Hong Kong Baptist University)

**14 :30 – 14 :45 LEG STRETCH**

**14:45 – 16:15 STREAM A**

**PANEL A3 GENDER AND IDENTITY POLITICS IN SINO-AFRICAN MOBILITY  
FLOWS**

- Lesley Nicole Braun (Humboldt Universität), *The Travail and Travels of Congo's Transnational Trader Women*
- Jackson Miller (Harvard Kennedy School), *Mobilizing the Margins: Chinese Women, Intersectionality, and Globalizing African Workspaces*
- Shanshan Lan (University of Amsterdam), *Race and state-endorsed patriotic Chinese masculinity in Wolf Warrior II*
- Yu Qiu (Independent scholar), *No longer at ease: the problem of masculinity among Nigerian migrant men in Guangzhou*
- Chair: Tu Huynh (Jinan University China).

**14:45 – 16:15 STREAM B**

**PANEL B3 POLITICS OF KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION IN CHINA-AFRICA  
STUDIES - FIELDWORK AND METHODS ROUNDTABLE**

- Mingwei Huang (University of Minnesota) and Vivian Chenxue Lu (Stanford University), *The politics of knowledge production in China-Africa studies*
- Carlos Oya and Florian T. Schäfer (SOAS), *Researching Chinese firms in Africa – methodological lessons from a large-scale survey in Ethiopia and Angola*
- Frangton Chiyemura (The Open University), *Doing fieldwork in Africa on Africa-China development cooperation: reflections on fieldwork experiences in Ethiopia on Ethiopia-China cooperation in the development of Adama wind farms*
- Chair: Yoon Jung Park (Chinese in Africa/Africans in China Research Network)

**14:45 – 16:15 STREAM C**

**PANEL C3 CHINESE LED URBANISATION AND INDUSTRIALISATION IN  
AFRICA**

- Allan Cain (Development Workshop), *Alternatives to African commodity-backed urbanization: the case of China in Angola*
- Ricardo Reboredo (Trinity College Dublin), *The Political Economy of Chinese-led Megaprojects in South Africa*
- Abosede Babatunde (University of Ilorin, Nigeria), *Enter the Messiah? Potentials and Implications of Chinese Oil operations in the Nigeria's Niger Delta*
- Ning Rundong (Yale University), *Construction assemblage: how construction projects shape China-Africa encounters*
- Chair: Romain Dittgen (University of the Witwatersrand)



**14:45 – 16:15 STREAM D**

**PANEL D3 CHINESE INVOLVEMENTS IN COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS IN AFRICA**

- Elling Tjønneland and Helge Rønning (Chr. Michelsen Institute), *China and telecommunications in Africa*
- Shubo Li (University of Oslo) and Aslak Orre (Chr. Michelsen Institute), *The Wolf and the Bull in the Palanca's Realm. Chinese telecommunication equipment companies in Angola*
- Sérgio Chichava (Institute of Social and Economic Studies) , *Chinese communications strategies in Mozambique – the physical and the electronic*
- Chair: Barry Sautman (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

**17:00 WELCOME RECEPTION AND DINNER AT THE AUBERGE  
BONDAEL - FOR INVITED SPEAKERS AND PANEL CHAIRS ONLY**

**THURSDAY 28 JUNE 2018**

**ULB - SOLVAY BUSINESS SCHOOL**

**42 AVENUE FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT**

**8:00-8:45 REGISTRATION**

**9:00-10:30 STREAM A**

**PANEL A4 PERFORMATIVE CONSTRUCTIONS OF AFRO-CHINESE  
IDENTITY**

- Tara Mock (Bowdoin College), *Manufacturing sameness: continuities and expansions of identity in Afro-Chinese relations*
- Carlton Jama Adams (John Jay College/City University New York), *Black histories for self-construction within a Chinese context*
- Rirhandu Mageza-Barthel and Uta Ruppert (Goethe University Frankfurt), *Tones and trajectories of gender politics: transnationalism and transregionalism revisited*
- Chair: Vera Fennell (Lehigh University)

**9:00-10:30 STREAM B**

**PANEL B4 CHINESE-AFRICAN ENCOUNTERS IN LITERATURE**

- Xavier Luffin (Université Libre de Bruxelles), *Amin Zaoui's Al Malika: A Chinese-Algerian Romance*
- Duncan Yoon (New York University), *Towards the Global South Novel: Africa, China, and Bofane's Congo Inc.*
- Yan Lu (York University), *Yellow-Black divergence in He Chen's Novella 'I am a Little Bird'*.
- Chang Ti-Han (Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3), *Negotiating the past: Remaking history, memories and narratives in the postcolonial novels of J.M. Coetzee and Wu Ming-yi*
- Chair: Vanessa Frangville (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**9:00-10:30 STREAM C**

**PANEL C4 ORDINARY CHINESE SPACES: SHIFTING AESTHETICS,  
EVERYDAY LIFE AND URBAN FORMS**

- Yan Hairong (Hong Kong Polytechnic University) and Barry Sautman (Hong Kong University of Science & Technology), *Chinese and “self-segregation” in Africa*
- Gerald Chungu (University of the Witwatersrand), *Building the City of tomorrow – challenging ‘Chinese-ness’ and the influence of Chinese contractors in shaping the built environment in Lusaka*
- Romain Dittgen (University of the Witwatersrand), *The ordinary made exceptional – layered readings of a ‘Chinese’ street in suburban Johannesburg*
- Melissa Lefkowitz (New York University), *Following Chinese dreams in the Silicon Savannah: ordinary spaces among Chinese millennials in Nairobi*
- Chair : Karsten Giese (GIGA Hamburg)

**9:00-10:30 STREAM D**

**PANEL D4 CHINESE FIRMS AND INVESTMENT IN AFRICA**

- Sanne Van Der Lugt (University of Bremen), *Both Chinese and U.S. investments are directed to political instable and institutional mature countries in Africa*
- Matumelo Tinstwalo Wilkin (University of Nottingham-Ningbo), *Sustainable foreign direct investment- capacity building and knowledge transfer: South Africa and China*
- Matthew Ferchen (Tsinghua University), *The dog that didn’t bark: why so little comparison of China’s South-South relations and why does it matter?*
- Ronald Chipaike (Bindura University of Science Education, Zimbabwe), *Agency at the margins: Zimbabwe’s economic engagement with China since 2000*
- Chair : Giles Mohan (The Open University)

**10 :30 -10 :45 LEG STRETCH**

**10:45-12:15 STREAM A**

**PANEL A5 EVERYDAY LIVES OF CHINESE IN AFRICA**

- Chen Ying (Freelance Researcher and Consultant) *An update report of Chinese immigrants living in South Africa from 2008-2017*
- Yuan Ding (Shanghai Normal University) and Pang ChingLin (University of Antwerp), *Exploring the concept of “guoke” in recent South-South migration : a comparative perspective of migrant trajectories of Chinese in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Congolese in China*
- Wang Jinpu (Syracuse University), *Nationalism, overseas Chinese state, and the construction of “Chineseness” among Chinese migrant entrepreneurs in Ghana*
- Moderator: Yan Hairong (Hong Kong Polytechnic University)

**10:45-12:15 STREAM B**

**PANEL B5 FILM: WOLF WARRIOR 2 REVISITING SOFT AND HARD CHINESE POWER IN AFRICA**

- Li Yuqing (Guizhou Normal University), *Representation and reality of China’s military might in Africa: a comparative analysis of “Wolf Warrior II” and “Peacekeeping Infantry Battalion”*
- Dan Large (Central European University), *‘Guess the Chinese military ain’t so lame after all’: Wolf Warrior II and the Chinese peace and security engagement in Africa*
- Nicole Talmacs (Xi’an Jiaotong-Liverpool University), *Trust and uncertainty in visions of Africa: Chinese audience reception to “Africa” in Wolf Warrior 2*
- Xiang Yu (Shanghai University), *Nationalism, Stereotype and New Hegemonic Narrative: Comparative Reception Analyses of the Chinese Audience and African Audience of Wolf Warrior II*
- Chair: Solange Guo Chatelard (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Sciences Po Paris)

**10:45-12:15 STREAM C**

**PANEL C5 INFRASTRUCTURES OF POWER: CHINESE INVESTMENT AND DYNAMICS OF STATE REPRODUCTION IN AFRICA**

- Obert Hodzi (University of Helsinki), *The China model of development: multiple conceptualisations and praxis in Africa*
- Fabien Nkot and René Faustin Bobo Bobo (University of Yaoundé II), *The deep seaport of Kribi : symbol of the “new” developmental ambition of Cameroonian state*
- Guive Khan-Mohammad (University of Geneva), *Beyond Chinese infrastructures in Cameroon: the arduous journey to an industrial-led development*
- Linda Yin-Nor TJIA (City University of Hong Kong), *Explaining the geo-perception of Chinese freight-led infrastructure in Kazakhstan*
- Chair: Antoine Kernén (University of Lausanne)

**10:45- 12:15 STREAM D**

**PANEL D5 AFRIQUE DU NORD – ETUDES DE CAS NATIONAUX**

- Hicham Rouibah (Université Paris-Diderot), *Travailler en Algérie pour exister en Chine, se former en Chine pour travailler en Algérie*
- Moustafa Benberrah (Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne), *L’instauration d’un dialogue culturel en cause : l’offensive de la diaspora chinoise sur l’Algérie*
- Elena Aoun (Université Catholique de Louvain) and Thierry Kellner (Université Libre de Bruxelles), *La Chine et l’Égypte après le « printemps arabe » : combler le vide ?*
- Hamitouche Youcef (Université Algiers 3), *La présence chinoise en Afrique du Nord :le cas du Maroc et de l’Algérie*
- Chair : Joël Noret (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**12:15-13:45 LUNCH : HOT BUFFET AND DRINKS IN ATRIUM**

**FOR CONFERENCE SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS ONLY**

**14:00-15:30 STREAM A**

**PANEL A6 CHINESE GOODS IN AFRICA**

- Alice Sala (University of Neuchâtel), *Standard, sub-standard, fake & original : evolution, roles and discourses on Chinese products in the Nigerian IT market*
- André Chappatte (Leibniz-ZMO), *‘Yutong ça nous arrange!’: The arrival of Chinese coaches in West Africa, reliefs, opportunities and reactions*
- Ute Rösenthaller (Goethe University Frankfurt), *Foreign manufactured products on African markets: their trajectories and integration in local regimes of value*
- Sylvain Racaud (University of Bordeaux Montaigne), *On the trade routes of cheap Chinese items between African large harbour centres and rural periodic markets*
- Chair: Guive Khan Mohammad (University of Geneva)

**14:00-15:30 STREAM B**

**PANEL B6 CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS**

- Charline Kopf (University of Oxford), *A tale of an empty museum and the imaginaries contained therein: China’s contribution to Dakar’s Museum of Black Civilisations*
- Derek Sheridan (Brandeis University), *The Kung Fu histories of the Swahili coast*
- Zhang Mingyuan (University of Western Ontario), *“Kung Fu vs. Radio Calisthenics”:* *Chinese language education and the representation of Chinese culture in northern Madagascar*
- Sun Yi (University of Massachusetts Amherst), *An analysis of China-Africa relations through the lens of higher education: conversations with Cameroonian students in China*
- Chair: Elisabeth Hsu (University of Oxford)

**14:00-15:30 STREAM C**

**PANEL C6 CHINA'S INTERNATIONALISATION AND NEW FORMS OF SPATIAL TERRITORIALISATION**

- Giles Mohan (Open University), *The territorialisation of China's internationalisation*
- Jon Phillips (University of Exeter), *The enclave meets the grid: re-spacing Ghana through Chinese and American energy investments*
- Tom Goodfellow and Huang Zheng Li (University of Sheffield), *China and the geopolitics of urban transformation in Ethiopia and Uganda*
- Ding Fei (University of Minnesota), *Worlding developmentalism through economic zones: Views from the Eastern Industrial Zone of Ethiopia*
- Chair: Helge Rønning (University of Oslo)

**14:00-15:30 STREAM D**

**PANEL D6 AFRIQUE SUBSAHARIENNE FRANCOPHONE – ETUDES DE CAS NATIONAUX**

- Jean-Denis Miala Ndombele (Université de Kinshasa, RDC), *La stratégie commerciale et entrepreneuriale de la Chine en République Démocratique du Congo*
- Madeleine Christelle Njiki Bikoi (Université de Douala, Cameroun), *Stratégies d'intégration des communautés chinoises au Cameroun : étude à partir de la ville de Douala*
- Richard Alemdjrodo (Université de Lomé, Togo), *Rôle de la Chine et de l'Afrique dans la reconfiguration régionale du pouvoir*
- Salomon Mahotogui (EHESS, France), *Les produits chinois en Côte d'Ivoire : une nouvelle culture matérielle et de nouvelles figures de la réussite*
- Moderator : Thierry Kellner (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**15 :30-15 :45 LEG STRETCH**

**15 :45-17 :15 STREAM A**

**PANEL A7 DRUGS, DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS AND CHINESE MACHINES:  
PATHWAYS TO MEDICAL HYBRIDIZATION IN AFRICA**

- Lucia Candelise (EHESS/CNRS), *Between "local" and "global", the practice of acupuncture outside China: the cases of Cameroon and Switzerland*
- Antoine Kernen (University of Lausanne) and Idrissou Mounpe Chare (University of Yaoundé I, Cameroun), *Medical Hybridization and Dietary Supplements in Cameroon*
- Françoise Bourdarias (Université de Paris-Diderot), *The definitions of "real Chinese medicine" in Mali. Genesis and modes of existence of a technical object, the "machine for diagnosis"*
- Elisabeth Hsu (University of Oxford), *Chinese medicine in East Africa: emplotment and empotment*
- Chair: Sarah O'Neill (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

**15 :45-17 :15 STREAM B**

**PANEL B7 PHOTOGRAPHY AND STORY TELLING ROUNDTABLE**

- Justin Hui (Architect, independent photographer), *Urban Africa, Made in China*
- Manon Diederich (University of Cologne), « *Queen B* » - *A Life Between Senegal and China*
- Hicham Rouibah (Paris 7 Diderot) et Moustafa Benberrah (Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne), *Les chinois en Algérie*
- Lesley Braun (Humbolt University), *The Weighty World of Women's Cargo*
- Chair: Romain Dittgen (University of the Witwatersrand)



**15 :45-17 :15 STREAM C**

**PANEL C7 INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS OR DEVELOPMENT LOANS?  
COMPARING THEORY AND PRACTICE**

- Robert Winslow (Independent Researcher), *Investment, loans, and language: the rhetoric behind Chinese finance in Ghana*
- Saite Lu (University of Cambridge), *China's infrastructure investment in Sierra Leone – a case study of the Mamamah Airport Project*
- Frangton Chiyemura (The Open University), *Ethiopia-China cooperation in the development of Adama wind farms*
- Chair: Allan Cain, (Development Workshop)

**15 :45-17 :15 STREAM 4/ROOM D**

**PANEL 7 CHINESE ENGAGEMENTS IN THE HORN OF AFRICA: AMBITIONS,  
OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES**

- Jean-Pierre Cabestan (Hong Kong Baptist University), *China's New Military Base in Djibouti and Africa Security*
- Isaac Nunoo, (Jilin University Changchun China), *China's economic boom and military rise: a realist perspective of the dragon's zest for global power and presence in Africa*
- Aron Tesfaye (William Paterson University), *The Ethiopian-Djibouti railway and China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI): towards a trans-African-linkage?*
- Chair: Tom Goodfellow (University of Sheffield)

**17:30 EVENING PROGRAMME - FREE**

**FRIDAY 29 JUNE 2018 PUBLIC SEMINAR**  
**SALLE DUPREEL – S Building, 44 Avenue Jeanne**

**OPEN TO EVERYONE**

**8h30-9h      Registration**

**9-10h30      Public Seminar:**

**CHINA-AFRICA-EUROPE: TOWARDS A NEW BALANCE**

- Anna Stahl (College d'Europe)
- Song Xining (Renmin University Beijing/Vrije Universiteit Brussel)
- Ajay Kumar Bramdeo (African Union Representative to the EU) TBC

**10h30-11h Coffee Break**

**11h-12h30    Public Seminar:**

**REVISITING SOFT AND HARD CHINESE POWER IN AFRICA**

- Jean-Christophe Defraigne (University of St Louis)
- Alicia Garcia Herero (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)
- Estelle Youssouffa (Journalist)
- Huang Hongxiang (China House, Nairobi)

**VIDEO AND SOUND INSTALLATION (ALL MORNING)**

- *“The Weighty World of Women’s Cargo”*: Congolese female traders in Guangzhou by Lesley Braun (Humboldt University Berlin)

**FOR INVITED SPEAKERS AND CHAIRS ONLY:**

**12h45**      COACH DEPARTURE FROM MAIN ENTRANCE OF SALLE DUPREEL,  
44 Avenue Jeanne

VISIT TO THE ROYAL MUSEUM FOR CENTRAL AFRICA IN  
TERVUREN

13h30-14h30 Informal lunch on the estate of the Museum – lunch bags provided by ULB

15h – 15h45 Introduction by Prof Gryseels, Director of the Royal Museum for Central Africa

16h – 17h      Exclusive Preview Visit of the Museum ( still in renovation)

17h15 – 18h15 Closing Cocktail at the Museum

18h30          Return back to Brussels – FREE EVENING