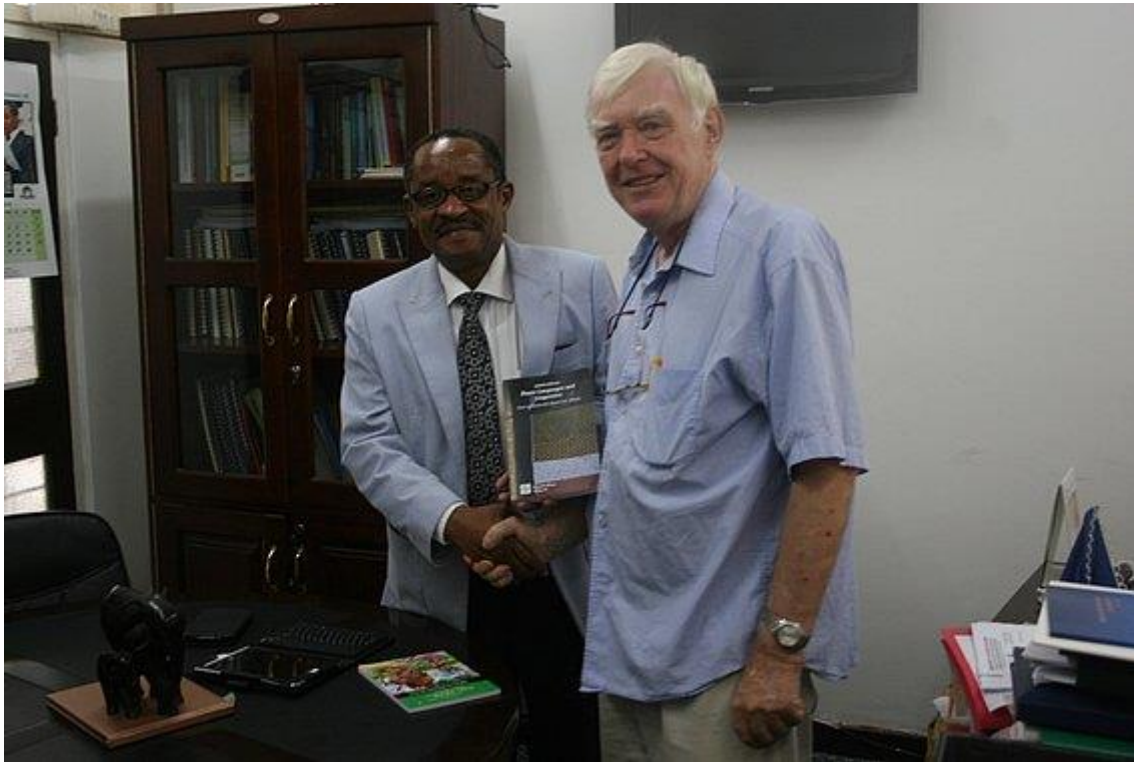


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Prof. F. Luoga meeting Prof. K. Legère

Recently Prof. F. Luoga, Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research and Knowledge Transfer, University of Dar es Salaam, met Prof. emer. Karsten Legère who came to his office for handing over a new publication that he edited. Prof. Legère who had been a UDSM staff member in the 1970ies and 1980ies is the editor of the book *Bantu Languages and Linguistics. Papers in Memory of Dr. Rugatiri D. K. Mekacha* (Bayreuth African Studies, vol. 91) published in Bayreuth/Germany. This book pays homage to the late Dr. Rugatiri D. K. Mekacha (1956-2001) of the then Dept. of Kiswahili. Prof. Luoga was pleased to be briefed about the vast contributions 14 authors made in memory of the late Dr. Mekacha. The latter's career had been tightly linked to University of Dar es Salaam as a student, lecturer, Head of Department (Kiswahili) as well as a researcher and human rights activist, as stated by Prof. D. Mkude (ex Chief Administrative Officer, UDSM) in the book foreword. In his capacity as the DVC responsible for research Prof. Luoga's attention was drawn to the paper "*The Role of Language in the Liberation Struggle in Tanganyika. Focus on the Grassroots Situation in Arusha/Kilimanjaro and Songs*" where the late Mekacha report about his 1985 research results and interviews i.a. with the late Chagga Paramount Chief Thomas Marealle was included. This research where R. Mekacha was Prof. Legère's partner was funded by UDSM's Research and Publications Committee. Prof. Luoga praised the book project as a laudable initiative that focuses i.a. on UDSM's role in research and knowledge transfer.