

Program



Summer School Spaces for Future:

Processes of Rural and Urban Transformation in Southern Africa

From 19th to 23rd of September, 2022
at UNICAF Campus in Lusaka, Zambia

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Urban Transformation in Southern Africa

Countries in Southern Africa are in the process of major transitions from rural to urban-based societies. While research mostly either focuses on rural or urban challenges, this Conference and Summer School “Spaces for Future” seeks to combine rural and urban studies for a new understanding by highlighting the connectivity and the linkages between urban and rural transformation from a Southern African perspective.

Researchers from different African countries as well as from Europe will present their own research and discuss the transformation of rural-urban relations in Southern Africa with a particular focus on the impact of migration and climate change.

The design of the conference that includes senior researchers and junior researchers is deliberate to cross pollinate the intergeneration ideas of rural-urban interactions. Junior researchers will present what they have been busy with while senior researchers, apart from a few, will act as mentors and moderators.

The conference will also host a dialogue with an expert panel from academia, policy makers, professionals and practitioners who will seek to unpack the issue of how rural-urban actions affect each other and how they are affected by or respond to externalities like Climate Change, Natural and Anthropogenic Disasters, Migration and Social-economic development. The panel will then triangulate how these will contribute to attainment (or not) of SDGs. Recommendations will then be made that can be formulated into position papers, research and/or explored further to influence policy.

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Monday, 19th of Sept 2022: Spaces for Future

Arrival of guests

07:00 h	Radio/TV Interview
16:00 h	Public Opening Ceremony Lameck Mwewa & Reimer Gronemeyer Welcoming Remarks: Dr. Kevin Andrews Vice-Chancellor, Unicaf University H.E. Dr Anne Wagner-Mitchell, German Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia Keynotes: Processes of Rural and Urban Transformation in Southern Africa Amid Climate Change and Migration Threats Prof. Dr. Cecilia Tacoli & Prof. Dr. Kirsten Rütger Moderation: Dr. Anayawa Nyambe & Dr. Jonas Metzger
17:30 h	<i>Break with traditional presentations by Ensemble Arts Acres</i>
18:00 h	Expert Dialogue, open to the public Interrelations of the urban and the rural in Southern African countries: transformation processes, conflict lines and potentials Panel: Joseph Minango, Emmanuel Tembo, Kirsten Rütger, Sabine Träger Maggie Mwape Moderation Dr. Lameck Mwewa and Dr. Jonas Metzger
19:30 h	<i>Reception and Dinner</i>

Tuesday, 20th of Sept 2022:

Structural challenges of the Urban - Rural relations

09:00 h	World Cafe: Factors restructuring the relations between the urban and the rural: What questions do we have?	
10:00 h	Coffee break	
11:00 h	Panel I: Urban-Rural relations Domestic communal land grabbing and the dwindling peri-urban communal land spaces <i>Patience Chadambuka</i>	Panel II: Urban-Rural relations Mining and 'Urbanization' in Zambia's New Copperbelt: The case of the Kalumbila mining communities <i>Chibamba Jennifer Chansa</i>
12:15 h	Coffee break	
12:30 h	Questions and results of the simultaneous panels in the plenary Rapporteurs from the panels	
13:00 h	Lunch	
14:00 h	Panel I: Urbanity Political entrepreneurialism and informality in peri-urban Zimbabwe <i>Tinotenda Chidhawu</i>	Panel II: Urbanity Sounding the Rural-Urban: Migration Spaces in Nigeria and South Africa <i>Olusegun Stephen Titus</i>
15:15 h	Coffee break	
15:30 h	Panel I: Rural Development Small scale tobacco growers and rural-urban interactions in the context of Zimbabwe's tobacco economies <i>Sibanengi Ncube</i>	Panel II: Rural Development The Curse of Natural Resource, Examining the Insurgency in the Cabo Delgado Region, Mozambique <i>Victor H. Mlambo</i>
16:45 h	Coffee break	
17:00 h	Questions and results of the simultaneous panels in the plenary Rapporteurs from the panels: Urbanity and Rural Development	
18:00 h	Dinner	

Wednesday, 21st of Sept 2022:

Structural Challenges of the Urban Southern Africa

09:00 h	Interactive Sequence and Keynote: Societal Transformation - The Urge for Social Justice	
9:45 h	<i>Sabine Tröger</i> , University professor development geography, University of Bonn, Department of Geography	
	Debate: Social justice as a cross-sectoral topic in research?	
10:30 h	Coffee break	
11:00 h	Panel I: Social justice Rural Agricultural Community Involvement in Climate Change Adaptation and Heat Stress Prevention in Zambia <i>Anayawa Nyambe</i>	Panel II: Social justice Assessing claims of just and sustainable transformations in the provision of climate information services for farming in Ghana <i>Rebecca Sarku</i>
12:15 h	Coffee break	
12:30 h	Questions and results of the simultaneous panels in the plenary Rapporteurs from the panels	
13:00 h	Lunch	
14:00 h	Panel I: Migration Between Eastern Province and Lusaka: Mobility and Rural/Urban Life-Making among Women in Zambia since the 1950s <i>Daniela Atanasova</i>	Panel II: Migration Land use, land tenure, rural-urban migration and informal settlements: A review of law and policy in post-apartheid era <i>Chenai Murata</i>
15:15 h	Coffee break	
15:30 h	Panel I: Climate change Confronting climate change vulnerability through gender responsive budgeting in South Africa <i>Nqobile Sikhosana</i>	Panel II: Climate change Policy advice strategies for climate change adaptation in international cooperation <i>Sara Lüttich</i>
16:45 h	Coffee break	
17:00 h	World Cafe: Factors restructuring the relations between the urban and the rural: Where do we stand so far?	
18:30 h	Dinner	

Thursday, 22nd of Sept 2022:

Actors Transforming Spaces in Southern Africa

07:45 h	Zambia's National Land Tilting Programme – Insights from the field	
	Field trip with all participants to the Chief Mungule Area and Lusaka West	
13:00 h	Lunch	
14:00 h	Reflection of the field trip in working groups	
14:30 h	Presentation of the thoughts on the field trip in the plenary	
14:45 h	Coffee break	
15:00 h	Panel I: Actors of Transformation Actors of transformation: Centring African feminist movements in food and agrarian politics. <i>Rejoice Chipuro</i>	Panel II: Actors of Transformation Rural sustainable development as alternative for conflict resolution in Cabo Delgado, Mozambique. <i>Constancio Nguja</i>
16:15 h	Coffee break	
16:30 h	Spaces for Future: world making workshop Participants collaborate to imagine future spaces. Drawing on what was heard, discussed and seen in the summer school participants will collaborate to imagine future spaces and draw up future scenarios.	
19:00 h	Dinner	

Friday, 23rd of Sept 2022:

Future Visions for Urban-Rural relations in Southern Africa

09:00 h	Opening Remarks: Future Spaces <i>Gilbert Siame</i> , Associate Professor at the Department of Architecture and Planning at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology <i>Jonas Metzger</i> , Postdoc at the Institute for Special Needs Education and Inclusive Education, Justus-Liebig-University Giessen
09:30 h	Plenary presentations and discussion of the scenarios of the world making workshop
10:30 h	Coffee break
11:00 h	The way forward: publication opportunities/ further cooperation ideas Prof. Dr. Reimer Gronemeyer, Prof. Dr. Kirsten Rüther, Dr. Lameck Mwewa, Dr Jonas Metzger Closing Remarks and Presentation of Certificates: Dr Christine P. Mushibwe, Vice-Chancellor Unicaf University Zambia
12:30 h	End of Summer School Conference / Farewell Luncheon

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