



West African Regional Workshop 2006

Thursday 23 – Saturday 25 March

Conference Centre Noguchi, University of Ghana-Legon

Programme

Thursday 23 March

- 8.30 Registration
- 9 - 10 **Introduction**
Chair: Ernest Aryeetey
Dzodzi Tsikata: Introduction
Frances Stewart and Luca Mancini: An overview of some CRISE findings
- 10 - 10.30 BREAK
- 10.30 - 12.30 **CURRENT CRISE RESEARCH**
- I. Managing ethnic politics in West Africa**
Chair: Yusuf Bangura
- *Francis Akindès:* Sociohistoire de la violence politique et inégalités horizontales en Côte d'Ivoire
 - *Arnim Langer:* Horizontal inequalities and conflicts in Ghana and Côte d'Ivoire
 - *Abdul Raufu Mustapha:* Institutionalizing Ethnic Representation: how effective is the Federal Character Commission in Nigeria?
 - *Richard Asante:* Ethno-regional inequalities, conflict management and democratic consolidation in Ghana
- Discussant:* Rotimi Suberu *Notes:* Kathryn Nwajiaku
- 12.30 - 2 LUNCH
- 2 - 3.30 **II. Citizenship and ethnic mobilisation**
Chair: Emmanuel Akwetey
- *Isaac Olawale Albert:* Indigene/Settler Conflict in Rural Nigeria: an Oke-Ogun Case Study in Oyo State
 - *Ifeanyi Onyeonoru:* Horizontal inequalities and ethno-national movements: a study of Ohaneze and Afenifere
 - *Yvan Guichaoua:* Why do youths join ethnic militias? A survey of the Oodua People's Congress in Southwestern Nigeria
- Discussant:* Yusuf Bangura *Notes:* Rachael Diprose
- 3.30 - 4 BREAK
- 4 - 5.30 **III. Ethnicity, decentralisation and federalism**
Chair: Abdul Raufu Mustapha
- *Rotimi Suberu:* Managing ethno-religious inequality and conflict in Nigeria: a study of the Sharia crisis since 1999
 - *Dzodzi Tsikata:* Decentralisation, inequalities and conflict in Ghana: an exploration of some interconnections (with Wayo Seini)
 - *Ukoha Ukiwo:* Decentralisation in Nigeria
- Discussant:* Kwesi Jonah *Notes:* Adam Higazi



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9 - 10.30 **IV. Ethnicity and communal conflicts**

Chair: Dzodzi Tsikata

- Adam Higazi: Ethno-religious conflicts in Jos
- Julia Jonsson: Ethnicity and conflicts in northern Ghana: the Guinea Fowl War
- Rachael Diprose: Communal conflicts in Nigeria and Indonesia

Discussant: Emmanuel Akwetey

Notes: Ukoha Ukiwo

10.30 - 11 BREAK

11 – 12.30 **V. Perceptions Survey: Ghana and Nigeria results**

Chair: Samuel Amoo

- Arnim Langer: Accra, Kumasi, Ho (Ghana)
- Yvan Guichaoua: Lagos and Kukawa (Nigeria)
- Ukoha Ukiwo: Warri and Calabar (Nigeria)

Discussant: Yusuf Bangura

Notes: Richard Asante

12.30 – 2 LUNCH

2 – 3.30 **PROPOSALS FOR FUTURE CRISE RESEARCH**

A. Religion / Military

Chair: Frances Stewart

- Isaac Olawale Albert: Proposal on the military in Nigeria
- Said Adejumobi: The military, ethnicity and the future of Nigerian federalism
- Bony Guiblehon: Politique, ethnique et religions en Côte d'Ivoire
- Samuel Egwu: Democratisation, Sharia and ethno-religious violence in the Middle Belt

Discussants: Arnim Langer / Kathryn Nwajiaku

Notes: Yvan Guichaoua

3.30 - 5 TRANSPORT TO THE BRITISH COUNCIL, ACCRA

5-7 **PUBLIC MEETING AT BRITISH COUNCIL - Ethnicity and Politics in West Africa**

Chair: The Hon Jake Obetsebi-Lamprey, Minister of Tourism and the Modernisation of the Capital City

- Dr Dzodzi Tsikata, Senior Research Fellow, ISSER, University of Ghana: *Introduction of the Minister*
- The Hon Jake Obetsebi-Lamprey: *Welcome Address*
- Prof Francis Akindès, Université de Bouaké, Côte d'Ivoire: *Media and Mobilisation*
- Dr Abdul Raufu Mustapha, Lecturer in African Politics, University of Oxford and Senior Researcher, CRISE: *CRISE Research Agenda in Nigeria*
- Richard Asante, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana: *Ghanaian Political Institutions and Ethnic Relations*
- Prof Frances Stewart, Professor in Development Economics, University of Oxford and Director, CRISE: *Some findings and policy recommendations from CRISE research*



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9 – 10.45 **PROPOSALS FOR FUTURE CRISE RESEARCH**

B. Collective action / Gender

Chair: Abdul Raufu Mustapha

- Ogoh Alubo: Gender and ethnic conflicts in central Nigeria
- Moussa Fofana: L'engagement des jeunes dans la rebellion du nord du Côte d'Ivoire
- Gnangadjomon Koné: La phénoménologie sociale des Jeunes Patriotes
- Frédéric Aka Adié: La mobilisation des associations féminines dans la resolution de la crise ivoirienne
- Daniel Inkoom: Christian churches and political stability in Ghana (with Kwasi Adarkwa)

Discussants: Dzodzi Tsikata / Yvan Guichaoua

Notes: Arnim Langer

10.45-11.15 BREAK

11.15 - 1 **C. Culture, natural resources and federalism**

Chair: Yvan Guichaoua

- Rotimi Suberu: Ethnicity, inequality and the federal dilemma in Nigeria
- Richard Asante: Culture, political stability and democratic consolidation in Ghana
- Stephen Faleti: MNCs and perceptions of inequalities in Nigeria's Niger Delta communities
- Francis Akindès: Proposal title to be confirmed
- Ifeanyi Onyeonoru: Proposal title to be confirmed

Discussants: Abdul Raufu Mustapha / Samuel Amoo

Notes: Kathryn Nwajiaku

1 – 2.15 LUNCH

2.15 – 3.45 **Training session – statistical and qualitative methods**

- Rachael Diprose: Preparation and presentation of qualitative data
- Luca Mancini: Preparation and presentation of quantitative data

3.45 – 4 BREAK

4 – 5.30 **CRISE Business Meeting**

Chair: Frances Stewart

- Meeting feedback
- Results of CRISE Mid-Term Review (Philippa Haden, DfID)
- Dissemination strategy