



Nordiska Afrikainstitutet
The Nordic Africa Institute

Transition to What?

African Liberation- and Pro-Democracy Movements' (Anti)Democratic Heritage

Workshop, Solstrand Hotel, Norway

22-24 February 2009

Sunday 22 February

Afternoon Arrival at Solstrand, check-in

18:30 Words of welcome: **Helge Rønning, Lise Rakner and Carin Norberg**
Aperitifs

19:00 Dinner

Monday 23 February

9: 00 – 11:15 **Session I** *From Liberation Movements to Governing Parties: The Contradictory Legacy of Democratic Aspirations and Authoritarian Practices*
Chair: Lise Rakner

Helge Rønning: Introduction - Theoretical issues and Southern Africa perspectives

Henning Melber: International and regional perspectives, Namibia
Amanda Hammar: How to arrive at a dynamic model of investigation (Zimbabwe)
Kassahun Berhanu Alemu: Two phases of transformation (Ethiopia)
Sérgio Inácio Chichava: Mozambique's Democracy: A contested terrain (Mozambique)
Alois Mlambo: International input during liberation struggles (Zimbabwe)

11:15 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13.00 **Session II** *Challenges to Representation and Institutionalisation of Political Parties and Civil Society.* Chair: Hilde Arntsen

Lise Rakner: Introduction/international perspectives (Uganda/Malawi)
Eduardo Namburete: Possibilities for political opposition (Mozambique)
Lovise Aalen: The role of ethnicity (Ethiopia)
Neo Simuntanyi: Challenges of Representation and Accountability (Zambia)

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch and walk along the fjord

14:30 – 15:45 **Session III** *Horizontal Accountability Securing Political Space.* Chair: Siri Lange

Siri Gloppen: Can horizontal accountability structures secure political space? Theoretica and regional perspectives (Malawi, Uganda)
Nkosi Ndlela: Media legislation (Zimbabwe)
Dumisani Moyo: The international input after liberation struggles

15.45 – 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 – 18.00 **Session IV** *Forms of Communication and Democratic Spaces.* Chair: Siri Gloppen

Hilde Arntsen: Introduction (Zimbabwe)
Kristin Skare Orgeret: News and nationhood (South Africa)
Monica Chibita: Participation and accountability through radio (Uganda)
Siri Lange: Popular music and the state: censorship and cooption (Tanzania)

19:30 Dinner

Tuesday 24 February

Morning Breakfast and check-out of rooms

9.15 – 9.35 **Lise Rakner:** Outline of research application process and introduction to the group session.

9.35 – 11:15 **Group sessions**

The aim of the group discussions will be to identify and formulate central research questions for comparative analysis within each of the groups/focus areas which have not been adequately addressed in the concept note. The group discussions should also identify key methodological challenges, resource people and data.

11:15 – 11:30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00 **Plenary presentation (by group rapporteurs). Final discussion.**
Chair: Helge Rønning

13.00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:30 Departure