Dear Afrikanists,

Thank you very much for your interest in the 21st
Afrikanistentag in Bayreuth on 10th & 11th of June
2014. We look forward to your contributions and attach the preliminary programme.

We received a number of interesting abstracts for thematic panels and various topics in African linguistics and literatures. Except for the panels, the **allocated speaking time per speaker is 20 minutes** plus 10 minutes discussion – preferably in English – after each presentation.



For the benefit of the large number of non-German-speaking participants, it would be helpful to have an abstract available also in English from participants presenting in German. In case you wish to submit such an abstract could you please contact irina.turner@uni-bayreuth.de.

We also kindly ask listening-only participants to **please register by 18**th **of May 2014** through email to: irina.turner@uni-bayreuth.de. This is very important for planning, so thanks in advance.

For participation in the conference including dinner at the reception on Tuesday evening in the Botanical Garden - organized in cooperation with the Swahili Symposium -, we will have to charge a **conference fee of 15 Euro (reduced 10 Euro)** per person to be paid at registration on 10th of June.

Please note that there are **no restaurants and cafes close to the conference facility**; we will make sure that there is sufficient provision of coffee/tea and water.

The Mensa (university restaurant) will be open for **lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday.** Mensa-lunch cards charged with 6 Euro can be bought at registration at 10 Euro including 4 Euro deposit which will be returned with the card.

Day-Tickets for the VAD on Thursday (12th of June) can be bought at 30 Euro. Please contact Doris Löhr: doris.loehr@uni-bayreuth.de. The VAD programme can be found here: http://www.vad-ev.de/index.php?id=24&L=1. We like to recommend especially the panel 4: visions: The quest(ion) of the future in the works of Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o and other Pioneer African Writers.

Directions to the university campus are as follows:

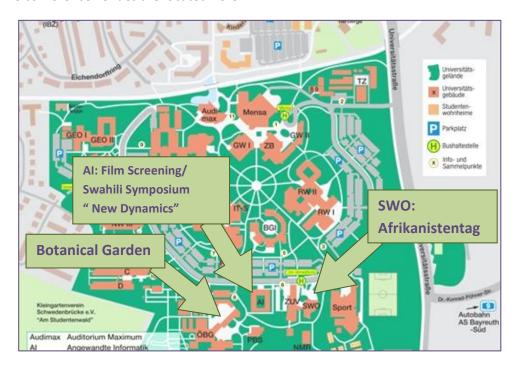
By car: Via highway A9 exit Bayreuth Süd then direction Universität.

Address for the navigation system:

Universität Bayreuth, Universitätsstraße 30, 95440 Bayreuth

By public transport: From central station in Bayreuth take the bus to ZOH (central bus station). Buses 304 and 306 go to university campus. The bus stop is *Universitätsverwaltung*; directly in front of SWO.

• The conference venues are located here:



For accommodation, please refer to this list:

 $\frac{http://www.afrikanistik.uni-bayreuth.de/en/colloq/21\ -Afrikanistentag-in-Bayreuth/Accommodation.pdf$

Updates on the programme for the 21st **Afrikanistentag** can be found here:

http://www.afrikanistik.uni-bayreuth.de/en/colloq/21_-Afrikanistentag-in-Bayreuth/index.html

If you need more help in organizing your stay or have further questions, please don't hesitate to contact: irina.turner@uni-bayreuth.de

We look forward to an engaging Afrikanistentag in Bayreuth!

With warm regards,

Gabriele Sommer & Irina Turner