Dear Colleagues,

Attached to this second letter, you will find the programme of this year’s Swahili Colloquium. As in the last years, the Colloquium will take place in Iwalewa-House, the Africa centre of Bayreuth University (located in Münzgasse 9, cf. the map on the next page). The Colloquium will start on **Friday, 22nd May, 8.30 a.m.**. The admission fee will be 6 € (for students: 3 €).

We kindly ask those who are going to give their presentation in Swahili or German to send an English abstract. Furthermore, we would also like to ask those of you who will focus on orality in their presentation to send us an English abstract of about half a page, as we are planning to have a general discussion on the topic on Saturday. Please email the abstract to swahili@uni-bayreuth.de at the latest on 15th May.

As there have been an overwhelming number of registrations this year, we have for the first time introduced a system of parallel panels. Furthermore, the time slot for each presentation has been reduced: there will only be **twenty minutes** for each presentation, followed by five minutes of discussion.

We would also like to draw your attention to a special event that is going to be part of this year’s program: on Saturday, our colleagues from SOAS (London) will organise a panel in memoriam of the renowned scholar Sheikh Yahya Ali Omar who passed away last year.

The day before the Colloquium starts, Thursday 21st May, we will have a get-together in the Greek restaurant ‘Delpi’ (located in Badstr. 14, cf. the map) starting at 7 p.m. We would kindly ask for your understanding that we shall not be able to take care of your bill on that day.

We are looking forward to welcoming you here in Bayreuth!

Kind regards,

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