Dear Colleagues,

Thank you very much for your interesting abstracts and papers. We are very much looking forward to this year’s conference.

Attached to this second letter, you find the programme of this year’s Swahili Colloquium. Differently from the last years, the Swahili Colloquium cannot take place at Iwalewa-House, but at the university campus (building: SWO; see map below). The Colloquium will start on Sunday, 8th June, 8.30 a.m. This year the admission fee (including the workshop, see below) will be 15 Euro (students: 10 Euro).

The day before the Colloquium starts, Saturday 7th June, we will have a get-together in the Greek restaurant ‘Delphi’ (located in Badstr. 14) 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.

On Tuesday, 10th June and Wednesday, 11th June, the workshop “New Dynamics in Swahili Studies” organised jointly with the University of Leipzig will take place. You find the programme of the workshop attached. The admission fee will be 15 Euro (students: 10 Euro). For those who already paid for the Swahili Colloquium, admission will be free.

Parallel to the workshop, the 21st Afrikanistentag, the biennial conference on African Linguistics, Literatures and History, will run on 10th and 11th June. Participants of the Swahili Colloquium and/or the workshop “New Dynamics in Swahili Studies” are welcome to also attend this conference without paying an extra fee. We will provide you with a programme soon.

There are going to be some further joint events: On Monday, 9th June, the film “Creating Comoria” by Birgit Englert and Andres Carvajal, will be screened (Venue: AI, H33). On Tuesday, 10th June, we would like to invite you to come to our reception which will take place in the Botanical Garden of the university. On Wednesday, 11th June, the VAD, the conference of African Studies in Germany, will start with a “Science Slam” (Forum Phoenix).

Day-Tickets for the VAD conference on Thursday which will have a lot of presentations focussing on media and literature can be bought at 30 Euro. Please contact: doris.loehr@uni-bayreuth.de. The VAD programme can be found here: http://www.vad-ev.de/index.php?id=24&L=1.
Some further organisational details:

The conference venues are located here:

Directions to the university campus are as follows:

By car: Through 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.

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. Since the university restaurant (‘Mensa’) is going to be closed on Sunday and Monday, we will take care of the lunch. On Tuesday and Wednesday, the ‘Mensa’ will be open. 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).

For accommodation, please refer to this list:

We will soon come back to the students who asked for private accommodation.

If you have further questions, please don’t hesitate to contact: swahili@uni-bayreuth.de

We are looking forward to welcoming you here in Bayreuth!

Kind regards,

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