

Swahili Colloquium Bayreuth



29th SWAHILI COLLOQUIUM Bayreuth, 6th May to 8th May 2016

4th April 2016

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 preliminary programme of this year's **Swahili Colloquium**. This year the Swahili Colloquium will take place again in Iwalewahaus, the centre of African arts and African contemporary culture (located now in Wölfelstr. 2). The Colloquium will start on **Friday 6th May**, 8.30 a.m. The admission fee will be 15 Euro (students: 10 Euro).

The day before the Colloquium starts, on **Thursday 5th May**, we will have a get-together in the Thai restaurant 'Hua Hin' (located in *Ludwigstr*.) 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.

There will be additional events during the conference: On **Friday** in the afternoon, Serena Talento (Bayreuth University) will organize a roundtable dedicated to Swahili teaching, where teachers can discuss methods and challenges in teaching Swahili as a foreign language. On Friday in the evening, the book "Abilatif Abdalla. Poet in Politics" by Rose Mare Beck and Kai Kresse will be presented. We are going to screen the film Maisha, Maisha tu by Yann Labry and Jakob Zeyer (University of Leipzig).

On **Saturday**, there is going to be a reception with musical accompaniment by Yahya Mbarak Harith from Zanzibar. Afterwards, Nathalie Koening is going to read from her translation of *Vipuli vya Figo*. And finally, we are proud to present you the winners of the Mabati-Cornell Kiswahili Prize for African literature, the first literary prize dedicated to an African language (http://kiswahiliprize.cornell.edu/): Anna Samwel, who won the first prize in the category 'fiction', is going to read from her novel Penzi la Damu and Mohammed K. Ghassani, who won the first prize in the category 'poetry', is going to read from his anthology *N'na Kwetu*.

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!

Karibuni sana!

Kind regards, Clarissa Vierke, Nikitta Adjirakor and Serena Talento

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