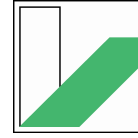




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31st SWAHILI COLLOQUIUM Bayreuth, 11th to 13th May 2018

13th March 2018

Dear Colleagues,

We are very much looking forward to this year's **Swahili Colloquium**. Thank you very much for your many interesting abstracts and papers! Please find the preliminary programme attached to this newsletter.

The Swahili Colloquium will take place again in **Iwalewahaus** (located in Wölfelstr. 2) and will start on **Friday 11th May**, 8.30 a.m. The admission fee will be 15 Euro (students: 10 Euro).

The day before the Colloquium starts, on **Thursday 10th May**, we will have a get-together in the Thai restaurant 'Hua Hin' (located in Ludwigstr. 30; <http://www.thai-huahin.de/>) starting at 7 p.m. We kindly ask for your understanding that we will not be able to take care of your bill on that day.

There will also be a number of events during the conference: On **Friday** morning, before the presentations, there will be a poetry reading by Prof. Dr. Kithaka wa Mberia. In the evening, we will present the first-prize winners of the Mabati-Cornell Kiswahili Prize for African literature, the first literary prize dedicated to an African language (<http://kiswahiliprize.cornell.edu/>). From the 'Prose Writing' category, Ali Hilal Ali will read from his novel *Mmeza Fupa* and from the 'Poetry' category, Dotto Rangimoto will read from his anthology *Mwanangu Rudi Nyumbani*. On **Saturday**, there will be an exchange forum with Junior Fellows from BIGSAS in order to reflect upon a future vision for African languages and literatures, by looking at the role of research. In the evening, we will screen Dr. Ndirangu Wachanga's biographical documentary film about Ngugi wa Thiong'o. On **Sunday**, there will be a poetry reading by Lydia Kasese, a poet from Dar es Salaam.

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,

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