

COPENHAGEN, 26-28 JUNE 2023

Conference programme

NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND CONFLICT IN AFRICA

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MONDAY 26 JUNE IN CHARLOTTEHAVEN

08.30-09.00	Registration and coffee in Charlottehaven
09.00-09.10	Welcome in Vinterhaven Dzodzi Tsikata, University of Ghana, and Peter Albrecht, DIIS
09.10-09.20	A policy perspective on resource conflicts Tove Degnbol, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark
09.20-09.45	The new frontiers of resource conflict in Africa Marie Gravesen, DIIS, and Peter Albrecht, DIIS
09.45-10.00	Plenary session: Format of the conference Peter Albrecht, DIIS
10.00-10.45	Keynote presentation: Imagining Africa without Land Use Conflicts: An Agenda for Research and Action Dzodzi Tsikata, University of Ghana Moderator: Peter Albrecht, DIIS
10.45-11.00	Coffee break

MONDAY 26 JUNE IN CHARLOTTEHAVEN

11.00-13.00
PANEL 1

Militarized management of resource conflict

In Vinterhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Thomas Mandrup**, Danish Defence College

'The military mind-set is still too much':

Security practitioners and the internal dynamics of hybrid extractives security arrangements

Jethro Norman, DIIS

Exploring economic-security nexus and galamsey:

The case of Tarkwa-Nsuaem Municipality – Ghana

Richard Asante, University of Ghana, and
Pius Siakwah, University of Ghana

The Mozambican Cradle of the Makonde Nation and its Wars of Wealth: Challenges and Opportunities

Sky Mkuti, The Independent Institute of Education and University of South Africa

Conflict and Natural Resources:

Protracted Crisis, Conflict and Rent-seeking in Mozambique

José Jaime Macuane, University of Eduardo Mondlane,
Lars Buur, Roskilde University, and
Padil Salimo, University of Eduardo Mondlane

Soldiers, Shovels, and the State:

Militaries and State-building in Post-colonial Senegal

Lindsey Pruett, Cornell University

13.00-14.00 Lunch

14.00-16.00 Parallel panel sessions (2 and 3)

PANEL 2

Non-state responses to resource conflict

In Sommerhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **José Jaime Macuane**, University of Eduardo Mondlane

Indigenous Institutions as an Option for Managing Natural Resource-Based Inter-Ethnic Conflict in Ethiopia

Demis Mengist Wudeneh, Addis Ababa University

Violence and Sacral Conservation:

The Co-production of norms in the Oil Rich Niger-Delta

Akin Iwilade, University of Edinburgh, and
Iwebunor Okwechime, Obafemi Awolowo University

PANEL 3

Demystifying grievance, greed, and rent-seeking in oil communities' conflicts in Nigeria

Ndubuisi N. Nwokolo, Nextier (Nigeria) and University of Birmingham

The politics of artisanal small-scale gold mining:

The inverse relationship between formal and informal institutions in Ghana

Lars Buur, Roskilde University,
Abdul-Gafaru Abdulai, University of Ghana, and
Paul Stacey, Roskilde University

The Establishment of an "animal market" in Gushegu and its implications for water availability, community livelihoods, and conflicts among competing resource uses/users

Osman Alhassan, University of Ghana

Tapping into resources beyond state control

In Vinterhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Janpeter Schilling**, University of Kaiserslautern-Landau

Pipeline disruptions and surveillance contracting systems in Nigeria's oil governance and security

Esther Egele-Godswill, University of Edinburgh

**Conflict over Natural Resources and Religious Extremism:
Case of Mozambique**

Veronika Čáslavová, Masaryk University

Histories of natural resource scarcity, raiding, and range management in Northwestern Kenya

Mads Yding, University of Oxford

Governing access to drinking water in the Congolese context between the formal framework and the practices of the actors: a problem of normative conflict?

Narcisse Mideso, Universite Libre de Bruxelles and Université Catholique de Bukavu, DR Congo

Trust, hope and leadership in water user groups:

Configurations of social norms for outcomes of collective action in fragile settings

Sophie Erfurth, University of Oxford

16.00-16.30 Coffee break

16.30-17.30 **Participatory video as a method in Sommerhaven**
Jeremy Lind, Institute of Development Studies, UK, and
Daniel Salau Rogei, Carleton University

17.30-19.00 Reception in the DIIS Library (next to Charlottehaven)



TUESDAY 27 JUNE IN CHARLOTTEHAVEN

09.00-09.15 **Arrival and coffee**

09.15-09.45 **Keynote:**
The Dynamics of Water Scarcity and Conflict in Rural Kenya
 David M. Anderson, University of Warwick
 Moderator: Marie Gravesen, DIIS

10.00-12.00 **Parallel panel sessions (4 and 5)**

PANEL 4 **Green transition dilemmas**
 In Vinterhaven (incl. 10 min. break)
 Moderator/discussant: Rasmus Hundsbæk Pedersen, DIIS

**Conflicts over Renewable Investments on the Margins of the State:
 The Case of Kenya's Lake Turkana Wind Power Project**
 Ilse Maria Renkens, DIIS

**Decentering bioeconomy: green extractivism, fractured social relations,
 and forsaken responsibility in rural Ghana**
 Eric Mensah Kumeh, Natural Resources Institute, Finland
 Sabaheta Ramcilovic-Suominen, Natural Resources Institute, Finland, and
 Christian Pilegaard Hansen, Ørsted

Tropical deforestation, climate change and land use conflicts – a review
 Mike Speirs, Independent researcher (guest at DIIS)

**Contestation, conflict and claims-making around the Lake Turkana Wind Power
 windfarm, northern Kenya**
 Jeremy Lind, Institute for Development Studies, UK, and.
 Daniel Salau Rogei, Carleton University

**Facing old and new risks in arid environments:
 The case of pastoral communities in Northern Kenya**
 Janpeter Schilling, University of Kaiserslautern-Landau

PANEL 5

Forced displacement and environmental consequences

In Sommerhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Ninna Nyberg Sørensen**, DIIS

Slavery, Forced Displacement and Climate Change in Western Mali

Marie Rodet, SOAS,
Lotte Pelckmans, University of Copenhagen, and
Mamadou Sène Cissé, Donkosira (Mali)

Bamba Kuni: energy support cash transfer programming in Kakuma Camp and Kalobeyi Refugee Settlements, Kenya

Kipkemboi Kandie, University of Eldoret,
Anne L. Bartlett, United Arab Emirates University, and
Wilson Kipkore, University of Eldoret

The Contest for Living Space between Refugees and local Communities in Kyangwali Refugee Settlement in Bunyoro Sub-region in Western Uganda

Robert Ojambo, Kyambogo University

12.15-13.15 Lunch

13.15-15.15 Parallel panel sessions (6 and 7)

PANEL 6

Periphery as the new center of resource conflict

In Vinterhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Helle Munk Ravnberg**, DIIS

"Cattle Violence": The politics and fantasies of cattle ranching in Ghana

Frank K. Agyei, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology

What kind of Resource is it, really? Relations and contradictions underpinning inter-communal and state-community conflicts in the Mau Forest, Kenya

Marie Müller-Koné, Bonn International Centre for Conflict Studies, and
Kennedy Mkutu, United States International University

'If you say you will not vote for me, then I will find you a place to steal' – Relations between formal and informal actors and local state formation around illegal gold mining in Ghana

Paul Stacey, Roskilde University

Contested Drylands: Political hegemony, appropriation of land and economic resources, and emerging conflicts in the devolved units of Northern Kenya

Eric Kioko, Kenyatta University, and
Willis Okumo, Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria

Do individual and collective shocks raise or reduce cooperation? Divergent responses among farmers and herders in Senegal

Alexandra Krendelsberger, Wageningen University,
Francisco Alpizar, Wageningen University,
Han van Dijk, Wageningen University, and
Mame Mor Anta Syll, University of Gaston Berger

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PANEL 7

Conservation and its conflict potential

In Sommerhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Eric Kioko**, Kenyatta University

Exploring the Dynamics of Organized Violence as a Means of Resource Management: A Comparative Case of Samburu and Isiolo Counties, Kenya

Evelyne Atieno Owino, Bonn International Center for Conflict Studies, and
Clifford Collins Omondi Okwany, University of Nairobi

Contested Lands in urbanizing Spaces: Complex Challenges and Dynamics in Wetlands in Harare, Zimbabwe

Sandra Bhatasara, University of Zimbabwe, and
George Tonderai Mudimu, University of Western Cape, South Africa

Peace Parks amidst Conflict: The political ecology of Violent extremist mobilization in the WAP complex

Luca Raineri, Sant Anna School of Advanced Studies, Italy

Can recolonization of Africa's management of nature improve local stability, economic development and conservation of biodiversity using Chad's Zakouma National Park as case?

Stig Jensen, University of Copenhagen

Gender Dimensions of Protected Area Conflicts and Peacebuilding Strategies in Northern Ghana

Ophelia Soliku, University of Business and Integrated Development Studies

15.15-15.30 **Coffee break**

15.30-17.30 **Parallel panel sessions (8 and 9)**



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PANEL 8

Land claims and land-use change

In Vinterhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Sandra Bhatasara**, University of Zimbabwe

**Land Administration and Conflicts in Ghana and Zimbabwe:
A Historical Perspective**

Abel Gwaindepi, DIIS

Managing a resource conflict-prone environment

Peter Narh, University of Ghana

**Processes of boundary making in the Karamoja Cluster:
Changing land tenure, conflict, and governance challenges**

James Drew, University of Gothenburg, and
Per Knutsson, University of Gothenburg

Struggles without an end:

Dispossession and Conflict among Maasai Pastoralists in Kajiado, Kenya

Rahma Hassan, University of Nairobi and University of Copenhagen

Enclaving, Re-enclaving and Disenclaving:

Conceiving a Political Ecology of Agrarian and Extractive Patterns in Southern Africa

Saymore Ngonidashe Kativu, German Institute of Development and Sustainability and
Zarawi Trust

PANEL 9

Environmental peacebuilding

In Sommerhaven (incl. 10 min. break)

Moderator/discussant: **Helene Maria Kyed**, DIIS

Governing (non)violent environments:

oil and the hidden paradox of liberal peacebuilding in Ghana

Nelson Oppong, University of Edinburgh

Conflict, corporation, and environmental peacebuilding from below:

Insights from Somaliland

Louise Wiuff Moe, Roskilde University, and
Mohamed Fadal, SORADI, Somaliland

**'Sustaining gender' in natural resource management for Sustainable Peace:
A critical analysis of UN Peacebuilding Fund projects for conflict prevention
and women's empowerment**

Maria Martin de Almagro, University of Ghent, and
Caitlin Ryan, University of Groningen

**Women's Experiences of Prestige and Privilege amidst Vulnerabilities,
during the Ethnic Wars in Northern Ghana**

Deborah Atobrah, University of Ghana,
Dzodzi Tsikata, University of Ghana, and
Benjamin Kwansa Kobina, University of Ghana



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WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE AT DIIS

09.00-09.15	Arrival and coffee in the DIIS Auditorium
09.15-09.25	Welcome and introduction to plenary sessions Marie Gravesen, DIIS, and Peter Albrecht, DIIS
09.25-10.10	Keynote presentation: How Conflicts around Resources Relate to Policy Kwesi Aning, Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre Moderator: Peter Albrecht, DIIS
10.10-10.30	Grab a coffee on your way to your breakout group
10.30-11.20	Breakout groups (divided according to panels) What are the main frontlines of resource conflict in Africa? What are the main policy implications to take away from these frontline discussions? What can outside actors do, if anything, in helping to deal with these challenges? Think about these questions as they relate to your panel discussions
11.20-12.40	Plenary session (this session will be recorded) Follow up on breakout group discussions, exploring commonalities and differences across the conference themes
12.40-12.45	Closing remarks Henrik Halkier, Acting Director of DIIS
12.45-15.00	Lunch at DIIS

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