

**The African Studies Association of Ireland, 6th
Annual Conference, University College Dublin, 2nd
and 3rd December 2005**

Friday 2nd December

5-6pm: Conference registration

6pm: Conference opening by Attracta Ingram, Head of the School of Politics and International Relations, University College Dublin.

6.30pm: Keynote address: Ian Taylor (University of St Andrews, Edinburgh)

Where do we go from Here? The Evolution of 'Solutions' to Africa's Economic Crisis

7.30pm: Reception

Saturday 3rd December

9-10am: Conference registration

10am: Plenary Session, Speaker: Íde Corley (Trinity College Dublin)
Making an Opening: C.L.R. James, Toussaint L'Ouverture and the Genealogy of Pan-Africanism

11am: Coffee

11.30am-1pm: Parallel Sessions A

1. Europe and Africa

Alex Nunn and Sophia Price (University of Manchester) "Managing Development: EU and Africa Relations through the Evolution of the Lomé and Cotonou Agreements"

Andy Storey (University College Dublin) "Normative Power Europe: a New European Vision for Africa?"

Alan Matthews, Hannah Chaplin, Thomas Giblin and Marian Mraz (Trinity College Dublin) "The Impact of EU Agricultural Policy Reform on Africa"

2. *Cultures and Traditions, Myths and Modernities*

Sarah Ives (University of Washington) “South African Soap Operas: Performing the Post-Apartheid Citizen”

Jessica Langer (University of London) “‘What We Accept in Life We Cannot Accept in History’: Language and Power in J.M. Coetzee’s *Foe*”

George Olusola Ajibade (Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife)

“Turning Traditions into Trouble: Yorùbá Ethnic Militia in Nigeria”

3. *Challenges: Education, Finance and ‘Usable History’*

Kizza Mukasa Jackson (Makerere University, Kampala) “Prospects and Challenges for Indigenous Languages Usage in Education: the Uganda Experience”

Garret Wyse (University College Dublin) “Microfinance Funds, Partnerships and Investment in Africa”

Eoin Dillon (University College Dublin) “Changing History: the Dar es Salaam History Department and the Writing of Past and Present in post-Independence East Africa”

1pm: Lunch (and ASAI AGM)

2.30-4pm: Parallel Sessions B

1. *External Interventions, Planning and Governance*

Festus Ikeotuonye and Olusegun Nelson Morakinyo (University College Dublin) “Revisions and Tinted Visions of Africa: Historicism, Coloniality and the Silenced Informal”

Orlaith Mc Caul (Higher Education and Training Awards Council of Ireland) “Power and Participation in Development Planning”

Andrew Dziemian (University of Wales, Aberystwyth) “‘Dependency is Dead, Long Live Liberalised Development’: Power, Governance and the Politics of Inclusion”

2. *Nation-Building, Conflict and ‘Imported Traditions’*

Karla Simcikova (University of Ostrava) “Feminism and Nation-Building: What African Women Have to Say”

Tony Morgan (University of Ulster) and Vasintha Veeran (National University of Ireland, Galway) “Winning the War: Rhetoric or Reality for Youth in Northern Ireland and South Africa?”

Rachel Naylor (University of Ulster) “‘No Surrender’? Orangeism in West Africa”

3. *Ethiopia: Envisioning Economy and Society*

John Bradley (Economic and Social Research Institute, Dublin) “Lessons from an Ethiopian Economic Research Project”

Pádraig Carmody (St Patrick’ College, Dublin) “Poverty Reduction or Reproduction? Making Civil Society in Ethiopia”

4pm: Coffee

4.30pm: Plenary Session, Speakers: Jack Zulu Jones (Jubilee Zambia) and Jean Somers (Debt and Development Coalition Ireland)

Campaigning on, in and for Africa: Perspectives on Debt Cancellation, Forgiveness and Reparations

5.30pm: Close of Conference