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Welcome!



Welcome to the 2nd “Contested Governance” Summer School!

Dear participants,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the 2nd SPDL Summer School on “Contested Governance”. We deeply regret that due to the Covid-19 pandemic this summer school has to take place online, but we did our utmost to make the programme as informative and lively as possible.

Thanks to the financial support from the German Federal Ministry Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) has been able to offer this particular programme to you as selected participants, and we are honoured to work with you from 7 to 18 September 2020.

The programme, which you find in detail in this brochure, consists of lectures, trainings and group work activities. All parts of the summer school are related to the broader theme of “contested governance”, the first week will oscillate about basic concepts of governance and how to measure it, the second week will put an emphasis on the current pandemic and how the corona virus challenges governance around the globe, and especially in your home country.

We hope that you will enjoy your virtual stay at our institute, and as mentioned, we hope even more that we will have the occasion to meet in person in September 2021.

Kind regards,

Dr. Martin Adelman, ABI Executive Manager
Dr. Jan Claudius Völkel, Senior Researcher

“I think good governance and good politics can go together.”

N. Chandrababu Naidu, Indian politician

Organisation & Facilitation

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About the Summer School

The “Contested Governance” Summer School is exclusively offered to current DAAD In-Country/In-Region scholarship holders (Master or PhD students) in countries of the Global South who have a primary qualification (at least a Bachelor degree) in political sciences or other social sciences.

Before Corona struck the world in early 2020, the summer school had been designed as a four-week intensive programme tailored to prepare participants for leading roles in research and teaching. Thematically, the focus was meant to lie on governance and its multiple challenges, starting from the observation that governance is contested in various ways. Debates were meant to arise around core questions of modern societies, such as how actors in the governance system, e. g. civil society, interest groups or state officials, constantly form and reform governance systems. This programme was to be enriched by training courses in social science methods and additional “soft skills”, such as presentation techniques as well as excursions.

The corona virus obliges us to move the summer school from classroom to “Zoom”. We appreciate the multiple possibilities modern communication technologies offer, but we are fully aware that much of the added value from the physical attendance of a summer school – such as cultural exposure, meeting experts and making friends – cannot be copied 1:1 into virtual platforms.

We therefore present some selected essentials from the originally planned programme, and cordially reiterate our invitation to every selected participant to attend the full summer school programme in Freiburg in summer 2021. You will be very heartily welcome then!

For this year, we hope you enjoy and benefit from the ten online sessions we have prepared. Conceptually, the first week will offer different approaches to basic concepts and challenges of contemporary governance, while the second week will take the Covid-19 pandemic as a timely example for “Contested Governance”: this virus challenged governance around the globe, and the central question will be how states and societies will respond to this challenge, which measures will need to be taken to limit the damage and eventually end the crisis, and what lessons we as a global community of people will learn from these exceptional circumstances we are currently struggling with.

*“Democracy, good governance and modernity cannot be
imported or imposed from outside a country.”*

Émile Lahoud, former Lebanese president

Such a wonderful world!



The great "Who is who" of this summer school



Alelegn Wenedem Agegnehu Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia

I am a lecturer at Bahir Dar University Institute of Land Administration in Ethiopia. I hold a Bachelor of Laws (2013) and a Masters of Science in Land Administration and Management Specialized on Real Property Laws (2016) from Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia. My academic and research interest is on issues related to Land, Law and Development. Currently, I am a PhD Researcher in Land Policy and Governance at Bahir Dar University Institute of Land Administration. I am a DAAD scholarship holder and conduct my PhD research on the acquisition of local land rights in Ethiopia: towards inclusive and responsible governance of farm investment.



Firehiwot Gojjam Anley Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia

I previously worked as a lecturer at Debre Birhan University. I holds an LLM degree in environmental and water laws from the University of Gondar and an LLB from Mekele University (2007). In 2016, I was accepted into the doctoral programme in land policy and governance at the Institute of Land Administration at Bahir Dar University as part of a German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) scholarship. In conducting my PhD research on land rights, I am focusing on the specific case of Ethiopia and how it compares to Germany and Malaysia. My academic interests lie in land law and policy.



Sofwaan Bakary University of Nigeria, Nsukka

I am Sofwaan Bakary from the Republic of Benin. I graduated in Agricultural Economics in 2014. I have been always passionate about Research and Development and worked as a research assistant and as an Agribusiness Advisor at the Laboratory of Rural Economy and farm Management of the University of Abomey-Calavi (Benin) and GIZ Benin, respectively. I am now a PhD student in Agricultural Marketing and Agribusiness at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN) working on the Governance Analysis of commercial poultry enterprises with a view on their sustainability in Benin.



Rachel Cann University of Ghana, Accra

I am a PhD student in Plant Breeding at the West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement (WACCI), University of Ghana and am currently breeding for maize streak virus (MSV) resistant maize. I am also a Senior Agric Officer with the Ministry of Food and Agriculture in Accra. In this function I deal with farmers, ministers of state, people in government and policy makers.



Arad Cohen University of Cape Town, South Africa

My name is Arad Cohen, I am 23 years old and live in Cape Town, South Africa. I studied an undergraduate in Biochemistry and Genetics at the University of Cape Town (UCT), completed my Honours in Medical Biochemistry and now I am currently doing my Masters in Medical Biochemistry at the Institute of Infectious Diseases and Molecular Medicine at UCT. I am passionate about the sciences as well as humanitarian work and plan to pursue another Master in Public Health in the near future. I am very excited to be a part of this program and hope to broaden my knowledge of governance as well as meet interesting people from around the world! Hope to meet you all soon and sending wishes from the tip of Africa.



Benjamin A. Danso West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement, Ghana

I am a PhD Candidate at West Africa Centre for Crop Improvement in Ghana. My PhD research is focused on breeding peanut against late leaf spots disease in Ghana. I am the CEO of Adom Seeds Company Ltd., a company that produces and sells certified seeds of soybean, maize and peanuts in Ghana. Politically, I am a member of the agricultural advisory team of the National Democratic Congress Party of Ghana. I am married and have two children.



Eduardo Estrada U.N. University for Peace, Costa Rica

I am Eduardo Estrada, I come from Honduras, a country located in Central America near Guatemala and Nicaragua. I am currently studying International Law and Human Rights at the U.N. University for Peace in Costa Rica. My prior work experience is at the U.S. Embassy where I was coordinator of the program “Gang Resistance and Education and Training” (GREAT) in order to support law enforcement in the region, especially in the Northern Triangle of Central America (Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador).



Cristhiam Flores U.N. University for Peace, Costa Rica

Hi everyone! My name is Cristhiam Flores. I am 28 years old and come from Nicaragua. I hold a BSc. in Biology and an MA. in food Security. Currently, I study MA. Environment, Development and Peace with a specialization in Sustainable Food Systems at the United Nations mandated University for Peace in Costa Rica. I like sports, arts and especially movies.



Augustine Fosu University of the Western Cape, South Africa

I am a graduate of BSc Land Economy from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana. Currently, I am pursuing MPhil Land and Agrarian Studies at PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa. My master's thesis focuses on housing development and customary land tenure systems in Ghana. My main research interests are in areas such as land tenure, land administration, governance and housing in Ghana and beyond.



Gagan Gautam Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai, India

My name is Gagan Gautam. I am from Nepal. I like to explore. Currently I am working as a Research Fellow at UNICEF in India. Though virtual, I am very excited to meet, explore and learn from you all coming from across the world.



Hafte Gebreselassie Stellenbosch University, South Africa

I was born and raised in Tigray, Ethiopia. Prior to arriving at Stellenbosch, I earned a master's degree at the University of Gondar which focused on public policy and sustainable development. I worked at Adigrat University in Ethiopia as a lecturer since 2013 before commencing my PhD studies at Stellenbosch University, South Africa. My thesis focuses on the assessment of urban land administration in Sub-Saharan Africa Cities.



Joy Kakingo St. Augustine University, Mwanza, Tanzania

I was born and raised in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. In 2016, I got my Bachelor of Education in Languages and Management at Mzumbe University in Morogoro where I started working as language teacher the following year (until 2018). I am currently pursuing Masters of Education Management and Planning at St. Augustine University in Mwanza. My dissertation is about the "Implementation of Total Quality Management in Achieving Students' Academic Achievement in Secondary schools". I aspire to be an inspiring and exceptional education leader in the future for better governance of my country.



Roswita Loving University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Hello everyone! My name is Roswita Loving from Tanzania. I'm a final year student of Master's degree in Strategic and Peace Studies from the University of Dar es Salaam. I'm excited to be a part of this summer school and hope to learn, exchange ideas and make new friends too. Looking forward to meeting you all!



Stephen Makau University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

My name is Stephen Makau and I am from Kenya. I am a lawyer by profession. I hold a Bachelor of laws degree from Moi University, Master's degree in law from the University of Strathclyde (online) and I am currently doing my second Master of Laws at the University of Dar es Salaam School of Law.



Wiriranai B. Masara Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia

My name is Wiriranai B. Masara, a Zimbabwean studying in Ethiopia and Germany. I am a PhD candidate enrolled in a joint program between the Institute for Peace and Security Studies (IPSS) under Addis Ababa University and Global and European Studies Institute (GESI) under Leipzig University. I have a MSc in Sociology and Social Anthropology and a BSc Hon. in Sociology.



Florence Muheirwe Ardhi University, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

I am Ugandan by nationality, pursuing a PhD in Built Environment Analysis at Ardhi University, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. My research project is on the governance of solid waste particularly exploring the nexus between policy and practice in the informal settlements in Kampala, Uganda. I hold a Master of Arts Degree in Development studies from the University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Adult and Community Education from Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda. I have worked with academic institutions (profit and non-profit) in various roles.



Mathew Yonika Ngaga University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

I am Mathew Yonika Ngaga, Tanzanian by nationality. I live in Dar es Salaam where I study and work. I am currently enrolled in the LL.M Program of East African Community Law and Regional Integration at the University of Dar es Salaam. I am a Tutorial Assistant at the University of Dar es Salaam as well as a practicing advocate.

Generally I am excited to be part of this program, I always like to learn and I am looking forward to the next few weeks we will share together.



Dominic A. Okiloko Stellenbosch University, South Africa

I am studying towards a doctoral degree in Public and Development Management at the School of Public Leadership, Stellenbosch University (SU), South Africa. I have a multidisciplinary background in the arts (Philosophy) and social sciences (Political Science and International Relations) with research interests in climate change governance, climate change communication, sustainable development, African perspectives, Ubuntu and African issues. Before joining SU, I worked with the Human Rights and Conflict Resolution Centre in Abakaliki, Ebonyi State, Nigeria where I led advocacy and championed rights and social development issues within the state. When I am not bogged down with academic work, I enjoy musing or getting lost in the charms of nature and like to share my thoughts in literary forms. I am available on Twitter as @ayedom_o.



John-Bell Okoye Daystar University, Nairobi, Kenya

I am a Nigerian PhD candidate in Communication and a lecturer at Daystar University, Nairobi, Kenya. My research interests are in political and development communication, young people and digital media, media ethics, and media and (im)migration issues. I have published in Journalism Practice. My PhD dissertation is situated within sexuality communication. I love travelling, listening to classical music, and watching movies.



Khadija Omar Said Taita Taveta University, Voi, Kenya

I am Khadija Omar from Kenya, a graduate of Bsc. Mining Engineering and currently pursuing my MSc in Mining Engineering. My goal is to help our country achieve its vision2030 through good governance and sustainable utilization of its mineral resources.



Philimini Philemon Saint Augustine University, Mwanza, Tanzania

I was born in Hanang' District in Manyara, Tanzania. I have a B.A with Education attained in 2014 at Saint Augustine University of Tanzania. I joined a teaching profession in 2015 until 2018 where I held a variety of leadership positions. I am now pursuing my Master Degree in Education Management and Planning at Saint Augustine University of Tanzania.

Currently, I am conducting a research study on the "Impact of Motivation on Students' Retention in Public Secondary Schools in Tanzania".



Petro Protas University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

I am a Ph.D. candidate at University of Dar es Salaam School of Law (UDSoL). I serve as an Assistant Lecturer at UDSoL. I am also an advocate of the High Court of Tanzania, Notary Public, and Commissioner for Oaths as well as a member of the Tanganyika Law Society. My areas of expertise include: Regional Integration Law, Law of Armed Conflict and Studies in Forced Migration.



Mawussi Kossivi Soviadan University of Nigeria, Nsukka

I'm Mawussi Kossivi Soviadan from Togo. I'm DAAD Scholarship holder and Ph.D. Researcher in Agricultural Economics at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN). I hold two Masters of Sciences, the first one in Development Economics and the second one in Agricultural Economics. I worked for eight years as a Technical and Economic Advisor and Management Consultant in the agricultural sector in Togo. I'm married with two children. I'm very excited to participate in this 2020 online DAAD summer school on "Contested Governance".



Elina Teodol Namibia University of Science and Technology, Windhoek

I have been a Lecturer at the Namibia University of Science and Technology since 2016 and teach Building Construction and Services, and Property Maintenance. In addition, I coordinate the Work Integrated Learning (WIL) programme for Property Section students of the Department of Land and Property Sciences. I am currently pursuing a Master in Spatial Sciences degree at the Namibian University of Science and Technology, Department of Land and Property Science funded by DAAD, and my thesis is titled, "An assessment of Communal Land Acquisition and Valuation processes for Compensation in Namibia—A case study of Okahao".



Prosper Turimubumwe Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia

I am a Burundian, and currently a PhD Candidate in Land Policy and Governance at Bahir Dar University, Institute of Land Administration-Ethiopia under DAAD in-Region Scholarship Programme. I am an Assistant Lecturer at the University of Burundi. I hold an MSc. in Urban Planning and Management from Ardhi University, Tanzania, and a BSc. in Urban and Regional Planning from University of Dar es Salaam Tanzania.

External speakers and experts



Prof. Dr. Markus Böckenförde Central European University, Vienna, Austria

Prof. Böckenförde is Associate Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law at the Department of Legal Studies, Central European University. During the Constitution Building processes of Sudan, Somalia, Tunisia, and Libya, he has worked together with the pertinent constitutional assemblies.



Matthias Süßen Kiel, Germany

Matthias Süßen is a freelance journalist, blogger and trainer based in Kiel, Germany. He is specialised in mobile journalism and science communication. The emphasis is on storytelling, filming and editing. Matthias works worldwide as a MoJo and Science Communication trainer and has been teaching courses in Armenia, Germany, Canada, Italy, Hong Kong, Fiji and the United Kingdom. <https://matthias-suessen.de/en/>



Cita Wetterich University of Basel/Freiburg, Germany

Cita Wetterich is a PhD student in Gender Studies at the University of Basel and in Political Science at the University of Freiburg, analysing “Violence against male Refugees – Patterns, Factors and Consequences for Individuals and Communities”. She holds an MA in “International Security” from the University of Warwick and a BA as well as MA in “Politics and Public Administration” from the University of Konstanz. Her book “Systematische Literaturanalysen in den Sozialwissenschaften: Eine praxisorientierte Einführung” (“Systematic Literature Analyses in Social Sciences: A Practice-oriented Introduction”, co-authored with Eric Plänitz) will be published soon by Barbara Budrich Publishers.



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*“Gender equality is more than a goal in itself.
It is a precondition for meeting the challenge of reducing poverty,
promoting sustainable development and building good governance.”*

Kofi Annan, former U.N. secretary-general

Programme

Monday
7 Sep 2020
12.30-14.00 CEST

Hello! Habari! नमस्कार! مرحبا! ¡Hola! Hallo! Sannu!
Ète sɛn! Nnọọ! Lumela! Sawubona! Pe̱e o! Mholo! Hallo!

- The DAAD and the ABI say “Herzlich Willkommen” to you!
- Self-introduction of the participants
- A run through the programme
- Q&A

Tuesday
8 Sep 2020
13.00-14.00 CEST

Foundations of Governance

Introduction of governance concepts and good governance.

Readings:

Rothstein, Bo (2012): Good Governance. In: Levi-Faur, David (ed.): *The Oxford Handbook of Governance*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 143-154.

Wednesday
9 Sep 2020
13.00-14.00 CEST

(Dis-)Advantages of Governance Indices

An overview of leading governance indices (V-Dem, Freedom House, UNDP Human Development Index, etc.) and an exclusive insight into the methodology of the Bertelsmann Transformation Index.

Readings:

Völkel, Jan Claudius (2015): Complex Politics in Single Numbers? The Problem of Defining and Measuring Democracy, *Middle East Critique*, 24:1, 67-81.

Thursday
10 Sep 2020
13.00-14.00 CEST

Governance in Comparison: An Analysis of your Home Country

Do it yourself: Analyse how your home country is assessed and depicted in three indices of your choice. Where do you agree, and where do you have a different impression?

Present your findings with the provided poster template in max. 1:00 minute to the others!

Friday
11 Sep 2020
11.30-14.30 CEST

Academic Methods Training I: Literature Research

A practical hands-on training with Cita Wetterich, University of Freiburg

Monday 14 Sep 2020 13.00-14.00 CEST	Risk Governance <p>How do governance institutions deal with crises and catastrophes? An introduction to the field of risk governance, illustrated by the example of the Covid-19 pandemic.</p> <p><i>Readings:</i></p> <p>Klinke, Andreas / Renn, Ortwin (2019): The Coming of Age of Risk Governance. <i>Risk Analysis</i>, online first, https://doi.org/10.1111/risa.13383</p> <p>Atwood, Emma K. / Williamson, Sarah (2020): Plague and Protest go Hand in Hand. <i>JSTOR Daily</i>, 19 August 2020, https://daily.jstor.org/plague-and-protest-go-hand-in-hand</p>
Tuesday 15 Sep 2020 11.30-14.30 CEST	Academic Methods Training II: Science Communication <p>Matthias Süßen, a professional journalist, blogger and trainer, introduces you to basic tools and concepts of academic video production. With not more than your mobile phone and very little effort, you will learn how to present your own research or yourself to a global audience.</p> <p><i>Link Tipp: Matthias Süßen's online presence can be found at https://matthias-suessen.de/en/</i></p>
Wednesday 16 Sep 2020 individual <i>Consultancy</i> 13.00-14.00 CEST	Individual Project Work: "Covid-19 & Governance in my country" <p>On this day, take your mobile phone and apply what you have learned the day before: Produce a short video (of not more than 2 minutes!) about Covid 19 and its impact on your city/country. You might want to conduct an interview with someone who is competent in the pandemic, record a lecture by yourself, produce a full-fledged documentary, or whatever comes to your mind. It's up to you!</p> <p>In case of questions, you can reach Matthias Süßen and the ABI team from 13.00 to 14.00 CEST in our zoom conference room.</p>
Thursday 17 Sep 2020 11.30-14.30 CEST	Mutual presentations "Covid-19 & Governance in my country" <p>Present the video you produced and discuss your findings with the others!</p>
Friday 18 Sep 2020 12.30-14.00 CEST	Final Discussion & Evaluation of the whole Summer School <p>Highlight the topics you liked most and criticise the issues you were not happy with.</p>

Summer School organisers



Dr. Martin Adelman is the Executive Manager at the Arnold Bergstraesser Institute since 2011. He studied Political Science, Geography and English at the Universities of Freiburg, Trent University (Canada) and the University of Pretoria (South Africa). He wrote his PhD dissertation on “SADC – An Actor in International Relations? The external relations of the Southern African Development Community”, published in 2012. Twitter: @adelmann_m.



Tabea Heppner holds a BA degree in Political Science and Philosophy from the University of Freiburg and works as a student assistant at the ABI. Her key interests are feminist theory, environmental justice and postcolonial theory, with her thesis being about how feminist theories can highlight issues of social justice within the “Anthropocene”-narrative. She is an active member of a student association advocating for pluralism in economics and spent one semester at the University of Ghana. For her upcoming MA programme, Tabea will study Political Theory at the University of Frankfurt.



Nicola Maria Merz studies Sociology and Islamic Studies at the University of Freiburg. Besides working as an intern at the ABI she is currently writing her thesis about students’ motivation to take part in service-learning courses. Within her MA studies Nicola wants to devote herself to qualitative social research and sociological studies on care work and volunteering from an intersectional feminist perspective. Besides her studies she is an active member of the students’ council of the Institute of Sociology.



Antonia Nölke holds a degree in Liberal Arts from the University College Freiburg. She majored in Culture and History, wrote her thesis about antiracist educational work and her key interests are postcolonial and intersectional feminist theory. During her year abroad visiting the University College Utrecht, she did field work in East Africa and an academic internship in Uganda. Afterwards, she has done an internship at the Arnold Bergstraesser Institute and now works there as a student assistant.



Maya Rollberg just finished her BA thesis about the European Green Deal and graduated from the University College Freiburg. She majored in Governance, with research focused on international politics, migration, environmental policy and gender studies. She helped founding a solidarity network for Covid-19 risk groups in local communities and is involved in university politics and local governance. She is currently an intern at the ABI before pursuing a master’s degree in Environmental Governance.



Dr. Jan Claudius Völkel is Senior Researcher at the Arnold Bergstraesser Institute since April 2019 where he had already written his PhD, “The image of the United Nations in leading Arab newspapers” (2008). He has worked as lecturer and researcher at the Universities of Freiburg, Salzburg, Innsbruck, Cairo and the European University Institute in Florence. From 2017 to 2019, he was Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, conducting research on Arab parliaments.

Greetings from last year's participants



Reflecting one year after my summer course in Germany, I still consider "Contested Governance" to be the most enjoyable and productive undertaking of last year. I really enjoyed the participatory approach that was used often to deliver most of the classes. The course was more of an interactive class that helped me to question my own assumptions about what good governance is.

One year later I can certainly say this summer course helped me to mould my research and presentation skills significantly. It really helped me reflect on my own seminars that I often do here in Tanzania.

I am truly grateful for ABI team for making last summer course such a wonderful educative experience.

Johannes James Siong'o

Saint Augustine University, Mwanza, Tanzania



A little over a year ago, in the monthly newsletter distributed by the DAAD information Centre in Johannesburg, I came across the call for the Summer School 'Contested Governance' opportunity. Without a single doubt in my mind I knew that this Summer School would be valuable for my personal and professional development. And it proved to be that and more.

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The Summer School on “Contested Governance” which took place during the month of September 2019 was rich in knowledge, ample opportunity, and room for growth among other highlights.

The moments that stand out for me were the different ways the guest speakers/lectures/professional practitioners presented their work. There was never a dull moment. Everyone that presented over the duration of the Summer School had a knack of engaging with us the participants.

My personal highlights of the Summer School includes the people I met in Freiburg, the life-long friendships that started blossoming during the Summer School and are still going strong to this day, being part of a historic moment by participating in the “Fridays for Future” global climate strike movement. One of my other Summer School highlights included the opportunity to travel to Strasbourg, Frankfurt and Berlin, and be exposed to how the structures, processes and people in the European Parliament, European Court of Human Rights, German Bundestag operate on a day to day basis.

As the next participants of the Summer School on “Contested Governance” I hope you have the time of your life and you also take away with you as many fruitful moments as humanly possible.

Madimabe Tebele

North West University, Potchefstroom, South Africa

It was a pleasure experiencing
this online summer school with you.
Hopefully see you in Germany next year!



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