

CHINA-AFRICA

REPORTING PROJECT

AFRICA-CHINA JOURNALISTS FORUM 2016:

Perspectives on Africa-China Reporting

Host: Jeremy Goldkorn

10 November 2016 at Graduate Seminar Room, Humanities Graduate Centre
Southwest Engineering Building (close to Great Hall), Wits University East Campus

PROGRAMME

- 09:00 *Welcoming*
Franz KRUGER, Head: Wits Journalism
- 09:10 *Opening remarks: Perspectives on Africa-China Reporting*
Dr. Bob WEKESA, Postdoctoral Fellow: Wits Journalism, South Africa

PANEL 1: Framing the debate on African reporting perspectives

- 09:30 *China in Africa through a black pen: My experiences in Africa-China reporting*
Baboki KAYAWE, Freelance journalist, Botswana
- 09:50 *Reporting on the third phase of the Sino-African engagement*
Kevin BLOOM & Richard POPLAK, Journalists, South Africa
- 10:10 The Africa-shaped gap in China-Africa Reporting: How can journalists increase African voices?
Dr Cobus VAN STADEN, Lecturer: Wits Media Studies, South Africa
- 10:30 *Humanising the Africa-China relationship: Who and how?*
James WAN, Freelance journalist, UK; Editor of African Arguments
- 10:50-11:00 Q&A
- 11:00-11:10 Drinks break

PANEL 2: Africa-China reporting and investigations on ground level

- 11:10 *Behind the perception barrier: Why are African perspectives missing in Africa-China reporting?*
ZHANG Zizhu (Shirley), Journalist with Phoenix TV, Kenya
- 11:30 *Who are the Chinese involved in wildlife crime in Africa and how did I investigate them?*
SHI Yi, Journalist, Shanghai, China

- 11:50 *The hydra-headed dragon and the dead hand of the Aakwambahu*
John GROBLER, Freelance journalist, Namibia
- 12:10 *The many roots of Africa's mistrust of China*
Phillip DE WET, Journalist and Associate Editor, Mail & Guardian, South Africa
- 12:30-12:40 Q&A
- 12:40-13:30 Lunch, served in venue

PANEL 3: Perspectives on Africa-China as reported in the media

- 13:30 *How Africa-China is reported in West African media*
Gerard GUEDEGBE, Media consultant and training expert, Benin
- 13:50 *Is the East African media fair in its reporting on China's investments within the region?*
Allan Olingo OGUNAH, Journalist, The East African, Kenya
- 14:10 *Framing China in Africa: Perspectives from African TV news programmes on CCTV and the BBC*
Vivien MARSH, Former BBC journalist, pursuing PhD at Westminster University, UK
- 14:30 *China in Africa in digital media: A case study of a Quartz obsession*
Lily KUO, Reporter for Quartz, Kenya
- 14:50-15:00 Q&A
- 15:00-15:10 Drinks break

PANEL 4: New opportunities and challenges in Africa-China reporting

- 15:10 *Taking the lead in Africa-China reporting: The Ugandan experience*
Herbert Benon OLUKA, Freelance journalist, Uganda
- 15:30 *How to conduct investigative journalism in the DRC*
HU Jianlong, Journalist, Beijing, China
- 15:50 *The Chinese operational mechanism in Africa: The Nigeria journalists' experience*
Itunu AJAYI, Journalist, Nigeria
- 16:10 *The two existing gaps in Sino-(South) Africa reporting*
ZHANG Sissy & YU Meng (Morrie), Journalists, People's Daily South Africa
- 16:30 *United pan-African voices and agencies as the missing links in the current Africa-China partnership*
Gedion JALATA, Program Manager, Africa-China Dialogue Platform, Oxfam, Ethiopia
- 16:50-17:00 Q&A and closing
- 17:00-18:30 Socialising and drinks provided in marquee tent at Library Lawns