SFB 1265 A. Re-Figuration of Spaces

Event Venue:

University of Nairobi, Main Campus University Towers Rooms LT 401 and MLT 402 University Wy, Nairobi, Kenya

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Re-Figuration in Global Agriculture and Food Systems. Evolution and Impacts in the Global South

14th and 15th of March 2024









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FIRST CONFERENCE DAY (14TH OF MARCH)

Kenyan Agricultural Value Chains

09:00 - 09:30 - Welcome & Registration

09:30 – 10:00 – Opening (Rural to urban: Re-Figuration of agriculture value chain production and urban food consumption in Kenya)

10:00 - 10:45 - Keynote

Prof. Claire Médard, Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (*Territorial and land-tenure dynamics of urban growth in Kenya*)

10: 45 – 11:00 – Short break

11:00 – 12:30 – Exogenous shocks on the Kenyan flower industry

Jakob Engel, M.A., Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin (Kenyan rose supply chain. How exogenous shocks lead to long-term development in industry)

Clement Tulezi, CEO of the Kenyan Flower

Council (Challenges and changes for the flower industry triggered by global crises and shocks)

Silas Wabomba, Lake Naivasha Riparian Association (Covid-19 and the cut-flower industry in Naivasha: risk, uncertainty and preparing for the future)

12:30 - 14:00 - Lunch break

14:00 – 16:00 – Agriculture and fresh produce

Prof. Gilbert Nduru, Chuka University (*Current developments in Kenyan agricultural value chains*)

Prof. Nina Baur, Technische Universität Berlin, & Prof. Beatriz Bustos, Universidad de Chile, (Climate change and agriculture. A comparison of Kenya & Chile)

Hosea Machuki, CEO Fresh Produce Exporters Association of Kenya (*Challenges and changes for the fresh produce export triggered by global crises and shocks*)

Prof. Jonathan Nzuma, University of Nairobi (*Fresh produce value chain In Kenya - lessons & policy options*)

16:00 – 17:00 – Tea and Discussion

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SECOND CONFERENCE DAY (15th of March)

Nairobis' urban food systems & peri- urban developments

09:15 – 09:30 – Welcome & Registration

09:30 - 10:15 - Keynote

Prof. Samuel Owuor, University of Nairobi (*The dynamics of food systems in Nairobi*)

10:15 – 10:30 – Short break

10:30 – 12:00 – Resilient (Urban) Food Systems?

Veronica Mwangi (PhD), University of Nairobi (The effects of current shocks on food security and poverty in Nairobi)

Joyce Gema, Founder of Tradecare Africa Ltd. (Influences of political and legal frameworks on current developments in Nairobi's retail sector)

Christine Chege (PhD), International center for tropical agriculture (The role of private sector on food retail and consumption in the informal urban neighborhoods of Kenya)

12:00–12:30–Student poster presentation of the study project: *Global South Geographies of (Urban) Food Systems. Mapping the Example of Nairobi's Neighborhoods.*

12:30-14:00-Lunch break

14:00 – 15:30 – Peri-urban developments and their influence on urban livelihoods

Jack Makau, Associate Director of Muungano wa Wanavijiji (Housing developments in Nairobi's periurban areas)

Prof. Owiti K'Akumu, University of Nairobi (Largescale infrastructure-induced urban growth and its distribution of welfare effects across different socio-economic classes)

Purity Kamande, Rural Outreach Program-Africa (School gardens: empowering the next generation of urban farmers in Kenya)

15:30 – 16:00 – Tea and discussion

16:00 - 16:30 - Closing