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AFSAAP Newsletter – December 2016

Africa: Moving the Boundaries
39th AFSAAP Annual Conference
5-7 December 2016

The Annual African Studies Association of Australasia and the Pacific Conference is being held at the University of Western Australia – St. Catherine’s College – supported by the UWA Africa Research Cluster. AFSAAP welcomes all participants and looks forward to a stimulating conference, final conference proceedings, and ongoing relationships with all of our new members. Congratulations to Dr. David Mickler and Ms. Tinashe Jakwe for coordinating this successful conference.

The Australasian Review of African Studies: News

- December issue is out now
- Call for expressions of Interest – ARAS Editorial Team. ARAS is looking for experienced academics to join its editorial team. See attached PDF for further details, page 5.
- ARAS has also been included in the European Reference Index for the Humanities and Social Sciences. The processing of the journal has been finalised. The journal has been approved for inclusion in ERIH PLUS. The ERIH PLUS listing of the journal is available here click to view. Well done AFSAAP Executive Committee members.

Kenneth Good on Botswana

Kenneth Good (School of Global Studies, RMIT) provides an analysis of democracy and development in Botswana on the occasion of the country’s 50th anniversary http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/02589001.2016.1249447.
Call for papers. Special Edition of
*Safundi: The Journal of South African and American Studies*

The study of the Republic of South Africa and the United States of America is steadily moving beyond its original focus on nation and state actors. With few exceptions, scholarly discussions of women and gender within this nexus have not received due attention. This special edition of *Safundi: The Journal of South African and American Studies* seeks theoretical and empirical and comparative and transnational papers that illuminate the dynamics of race, class, and gender in the collaboration and connectivity of these two countries.


*Deng Adut at Parliament House*

AFSAAP members may be interested in the presentation “How grassroots charities are affecting real change”, hosted by Alex Greenwich, MP. A pdf is attached see page 4.

*Recent publications by AFSAAP member John Idriss Lahai*


*Australian relations with Africa – covered on Late Night Live 23 November 2016*


*BOOKS FOR REVIEWING – Australasian Review of African Studies*

Please contact ARAS Books Review Editor at bookreviews@afsaap.org.au if you are interested to review any of the below books.


Mohammed Hassen, The Oromo and the Christian Kingdom of Ethiopia 1300-1700, James Currey, 2015.


GENNAROSITY ABROAD

NSW AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR 2016

Deng Adut at Parliament House
“How grassroots charities are affecting real change”
Hosted by Alex Greenwich, MP

Parliament House
6 Macquarie Street, Sydney NSW 2000
Wednesday 30 November 2016
6:00 pm for 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
$120 adults   $500 for group booking of five adults
$70 concession (students, pensioners)
Tickets: www.gennarosityabroad.org

This is a fundraising event for Gennarosity Abroad, a registered Australian charity
Nominations are sought for the position of co-editor for the **Australasian Review of African Studies** (ISSN No: 1447-8420, Online ISSN No: 2203-5184), the official journal of the **African Studies Association of Australasia and the Pacific (AFSAAP)**. The term of office is three years, commencing on March 1st 2017.

**The Australasian Review of African Studies (ARAS)** aims to contribute to a better understanding of Africa in Australasia and the Pacific. It is published twice a year in June and December by **AFSAAP**. ARAS is a multi-disciplinary journal (ERA ID 18727) that seeks to provide critical, authoritative and accessible material on a range of African affairs that is interesting and readable to both academic and non-academic audiences. All articles are double blind peer-reviewed by two independent and qualified experts prior to publication – see [http://afsaap.org.au/publications/aras/](http://afsaap.org.au/publications/aras/) and the journal is supported by an expert International Editorial Board of members who represent esteemed scholars in African Studies from around the world.

The appointed co-editor(s) will work with the Editor in Chief and the ARAS Team. We are specifically looking for a co-editor who will assist the editorial team to promote the journal, provide expert editorial advice, lead the process of peer-review and manage all aspects of communications with the authors and peer reviewers.

The co-editor will be an academic or scholar with a demonstrated interest in African Studies, and/or the African Diaspora in Australia, New Zealand or the world, and with relevant research interest to support the journal’s multidisciplinary focus. The appointed co-editor will also work with AFSAAP executive members to ensure the timely production of this bi-annual journal.

AFSAAP is an international network of academics, students, consultants, activists, diplomats, artists, community leaders, and others who share a mutual interest in the promotion of African Studies in the Australasia and Pacific region. AFSAAP is based in Australia and was founded in 1978. It is a not-for-profit association, and as such all roles are voluntary. Further information can be found at [www.afsaap.org.au](http://www.afsaap.org.au)

Potential candidates are asked to submit a short statement (no more than 1000 words) identifying their relevant experience and understanding of African Studies and the journal ARAS, indicating how they would like to take ARAS forward over the next 3 years.

If you are interested in taking on this role then please supply a statement demonstrating your:

1. Publications.
2. Editorial experience (including journal editorships, edited books, guest editorships and membership of editorial boards).
3. Indication of support from your University College/Department/School/Faculty for this role to be undertaken by you.

Applications will be considered by the AFSAAP Executive and current ARAS Editors. Deadline for submissions is March 1st 2017. Email to

**editor@afsaap.org.au**