

the 7th International Research Forum of African Studies, Kyoto University
Role of African Area Studies for “African Crisis”

24th February, 2012 (Fri) 10:00-18:00, Meeting room 333

Emerging Approaches to Understanding Gender-based Knowledge and Techniques in Africa

People in Africa have been producing daily necessities for their livelihood such as earthenware, agricultural tools, houses, etc. using locally available materials, while large numbers of various kinds of objects has been flowed into the life in modern Africa from outside. Reflecting the change and transformation of their local practices and aesthetic elements, and eventual loss of local materials due to the mass influx of new products, these phenomena could be considered as one of the “Crisis” in Africa. In this forum,

we focus on the continuity and changes of local practice in producing material cultures in local contexts, and approach to the understanding of gender-based labor division found in Africa from anthropological and ethnoarcheological perspectives.

● Program ●

10:00-10:10 Opening remarks: SHIGETA Masayoshi, CAAS, Kyoto University, Japan

10:10-10:55 “Transforming clay : Gamo Caste, Gender, and Pottery of Southwestern Ethiopia” : ARTHUR John W., University of South Florida St. Petersburg, USA

10:55-11:40 “Gender-based Techniques Related to Tradition Amhara Textile Weaving in Northern Ethiopia” : ITAGAKI Jumpei, Osaka University of Arts, Japan

11:50-13:00 Lunch break

13:00-14:30 Poster presentation: knowledge and techniques of livelihood activities

*First twenty minutes will be two minutes speech of each poster presentation.

List of Speakers and tentative titles of presentations

• Conditions of Formal Schooling for Married Women in Maale, Southwestern Ethiopia
ARII Haruka, Graduate School of Asia and Africa Area Studies, Kyoto University

• Maintaining Local Livelihood by Utilization of Mangrove Ecosystem : A Case Study of Mangrove Charcoal Production in Batam Island, Indonesia

HARADA Yukari, Graduate School of Asia and Africa Area Studies, Kyoto University

• From Cattle Herding to Sedentary Agriculture: The Role of Hamer Women in the

Transition

SAMUEL Tefera Alemu, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University

- Hunters' Social Skills in Western Guinea: Implications for Nature Conservation

LEBLAN Vincent, JSPS postdoctoral fellow, ASAFAS, Kyoto University, Japan

- Analysis of the Lyrics of Belauan Chants with Special Reference to Livelihood Activities

KONYA Akari, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University

- The Idealization of Rural Life in Thailand and Its Impact on the Karen Society

TAZAKI Ikuko, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University

- The Aging People of Aari in Southwestern Ethiopia and Their Situation

NOGUCHI Mariko, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University

- Utilization of Local Vegetables in Kenya

SHOJI Wataru, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University

- Alpaca Grazing and Breeding Techniques in the Central Andean Highlands

TSUKUDA Asami, Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies, Kyoto University

- Changing Gender Dynamics: Facilitated by the Amelioration of Women's Conditions in Post-Conflict Rwanda

KONDO Yukiko, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University

Commentator : SUGIYAMA Yuko, Hirosaki University, Japan

14:30 - 14:45 Coffee break

14:45 - 15:30 "Material Entanglements: Ritual, Gender, and Politics among the Borada of Southern Ethiopia" : ARTHUR Kathryn W., University of South Florida Saint Petersburg, USA

15:30-16:15 "Transmigration among Aari Women Potters in Southwestern Ethiopia and the Accumulation of their Experience in Pottery-making Techniques" : KANEKO Morie, Graduate School of Human and Environmental Studies, Kyoto University, Japan

16:15-17:00 "Local Knowledge Versus National Development : The Bride Time Among The Maale as a Period of Preparation and Consolidation" : THUBAUVILLE Sophia, Frobenius-Institut, Germany

17:00 - 17:15 Coffee break

17:15-17:45 Comments & General Discussion

GOTO Akira, Anthropological Institute, Nanzan University, Japan

ONISHI Hideyuki, Doshisha Women's Collage, Japan

18:00-20:00 Reception

23rd-24th February, 2012

Meeting room 330(small-I)

Joint Exhibition : History of African Studies since 1950'

History of African Studies of Frobenius Institute and Center for African Area Studies, Kyoto University

● 23rd February (Thu) 13:30~17:00

13:30 Opening talk : SHIGETA Masayoshi, CAAS, Kyoto University, Japan

13:40-14:00 Salon talk : THUBAUVILLE Sophia, Frobenius-Institut, Germany

● 24th February (Thu&Fri) 10:00~17:00

List of Films

“Woman the Toolmaker: Hideworking and Stone Tool Use in Konso, Ethiopia”

“African projections of Frobenius Institute since 1950' ”

“African projections of Kyoto University”

“African projections of Nanzan University”