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InHouse & Guest Workshop

US-China Technology Decoupling and the Future of the Internet in Africa

18-19 July 2022, Duisburg, Germany

Venues:

*Käte Hamburger Kolleg/Centre for Global Cooperation Research; Schifferstr. 44, 47059 Duisburg
&
Meeting Room 001, Institute for Development and Peace (Building LF); Lotharstraße 53, 47057 Duisburg*

Preliminary Programme

Monday, 18 July 2022

Venue: *Käte Hamburger Kolleg / Centre for Global Cooperation Research |
Schifferstraße 44, 47059 Duisburg*

09:30-10:00 Welcome and Introduction

Emeka Umejei & Jan Aart Scholte

10:00-11:30 [ONLINE] Keynote Lecture by Iginio Gagliardone Beyond the digital Cold War: Southern, Eastern, and Western tales of digital failure and success

Moderator: Emeka Umejei

11:30-12:00 *Coffee break*

12:00-13:30 Panel 1: Splinternet and the Internet in Africa

Moderator/Discussant: Emeka Umejei

[ONLINE] Connecting the Next Billion: The Effect of Splinternet of African CN Initiative

Auwal Alhassan Tata

[ONLINE] The Implications of the Splinternet for Internet Governance in Africa

Ahmed Garba

13:30-14:30 *Lunch Break*

14:30-16:30 Panel 2-A: Consequences of US-China Technology Decoupling for the Internet in Africa (Part 1)

Moderator/Discussant: Auwal Tata

US and China Technology Decoupling, A Technology Divide: Implications for Africa's Digital Divide

Jane Munga

[ONLINE] How US-China technology Decoupling is and Will Continue to Shape Digital Conversations in Africa

Joseph Owino

[ONLINE] The US-China Technology Decoupling, Africa, and the Future for a Sustainable Internet

Y. Z. Ya'ú



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16:30-16:45 *Break*

16:45-18:15 Panel 2-B: Consequences of US-China Technology Decoupling for the Internet in Africa (Part 2)

Moderator/Discussant: Jane Munga

[ONLINE] A critical analysis US-China Technology Decoupling on Internet Shutdowns and Surveillance in Southern Africa

Admire Mare

Nigeria's Twitter ban and the future of cyberspace governance in a divided world

Solomon Elusoji

19:30 **Dinner**

Tuesday, 19 July 2022

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10:00-10:30 Recap Day 1 (30 min)

Emeka Umejei

10:30-12:00 Panel 4: Mediating US-China Technology Decoupling in the Internet in Africa

Moderator/ Discussant: Admire Mare

[ONLINE] Understanding the Emerging Methods of Social Media Regulation in Nigeria through Digital Sovereignty

Grace Chimezie

An Inquiry into Emerging Data Localization Regulation in Africa

Uchenna Jerome Orji

12:00-12:30 *Coffee Break*

12:30-13:00 Closing/ Further Steps (30 min)

13:00 END OF THE WORKSHOP



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List of Participants

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