Workshop on
“Challenges to Democratisation and Peace-Building in Africa: The Case of Mali”

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Programme

Day 1
Optional Informal Dinner Meet-Up

Day 2
Workshop

9:00
Welcome Remarks
Tobias Debiel, Centre for Global Cooperation Research (KHK/GCR21), Duisburg

9:15-10:45
THE ROOTS OF THE CONFLICT

Guiding questions: How can we explain the political and social conflict in Mali? What are the root causes of this conflict, which should be addressed by Malian and international actors?

A History of the Relations between the State and the Tuareg
Baz Lecocq, University of Ghent

Fourth rebellion, fourth Algerian mediation: Towards a fourth failed peace process in Mali?
Grégory Chauzal, Clingendael Institute, the Hague
Discussant: Julia Leininger, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn

11:00-12:30 INTERVENTION AND “STABILISATION”: PRACTICES AND CHALLENGES

Guiding questions: How have external actors reacted to the crisis in Mali? How have they adapted their interventions? How have they analyzed, labeled and influenced the situation? How is international intervention justified and legitimized? How are international actions perceived by Malian public actors and society? What are the political effects of international interventions on Malian politics?

Security and Clientelism in the Sahel’s Global Security Assemblage
Adam Sandor, University of Ottawa

The International government of Mali since 2012: Legitimation, Legitimacy, Agency
Isaline Bergamaschi, Centre for Global Cooperation Research (KHK/GCR21), Duisburg

Discussant: Florian Kühn, Humboldt University of Berlin

12:30-13:45 Lunch at the Centre

13:45-15:30 [RE-]SHAPING MALIAN POLITICS: STRATEGIES AND AGENCY IN THE FACE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE-BUILDING

Guiding questions: What are the effects of international conflict management and its outcomes in Mali? Are root causes addressed? How are international actions perceived by Malian public actors and society? What are the political effects of international interventions on Malian politics? How does the international intervention shape the strategies of Malian actors? How does the international intervention enhance and/or hinder Malian responses?

The Collectif des Ressortissants du Nord: a new voice during the crisis? Northern notability in Bamako
Marianne Saddier, independent

Political and electoral mobilization in Bamako, 2012-2014. Routines and discontinuities of the political and social order in today’s Mali.
Laure Traoré, Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne

NGO reconciliation activities and inter-community relationships in Northern Mali
Abdou Sekou Ouologuem, Institut Malien de Recherche Action pour Paix (IMRAP)/ Coordinator for dialogue, Bamako

Discussant: Nicolas Lemay-Hébert, University of Birmingham

15:45-16:45 A THEORETICAL AND COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE ON INTERVENTION AND PEACE-BUILDING IN MALI

Guiding questions: What can we learn from theory for the Malian case? What is typical and what is specific about the Malian case? Which lessons can be learned from other cases for the Malian case? Which lessons does Mali teach us for other cases?
Why and How Should/ Could One Compare Mali with Other Cases of International Interventions?

Roland Marchal, Sciences Po/CERI, Paris

16:45-17:00 Wrap-up Session

What can we learn from the Malian case for peacebuilding and democracy support?

Jörn Grävingholt, German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE), Bonn