# The First Annual EISA Symposium

# Challenges for Democratic Governance & Human Development in Africa



8-10 November 2006, Wanderers Club, Johannesburg, South Africa

#### **DAY 1: 8 November 2006**

TIME EVENT

08h00 - 09h00 Arrival & registration

#### **SESSION 1**

Chair: Ms Dren Nupen, EISA Board

Welcome & official opening

Mr Leshele Thoahlane, Chairperson, Lesotho IEC & Chairperson, EISA Board

**CWCI** Representative

09h00 - 09h30

Introduction to the Symposium

Dr Khabele Matlosa, Senior Advisor Research, EISA

Chair: Mr Denis Kadima, Executive Director, EISA

Keynote address: Democracy & Development in Africa

09h30 - 10h00 Professor Adebayo Adedeji, Eminent Member of the APR Panel, Leader of the APRM

Mission to SA & Founder & Executive Director, African Centre for Development &

Strategic Studies (ACDESS)

10h00 - 10h20 Tea break

#### **SESSION 2**

Chair: Dr Brigalia Bam, Chairperson, South African IEC

10h20 - 11h00 Democracy & Human Development: International Perspectives

- Governance Challenges for the Achievement of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) so far
  - Dr Joseph Mugore, Regional Manager UNDP Regional Service Centre
- Democracy and Development in Africa: The Commonwealth Approach Professor Ade Adefuye, Commonwealth Secretariat, London

11h00 - 11h30 Discussion

Chair: Dr. Abdul Lamin, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa

Democracy & Human Development: Regional Perspectives

- Democracy & Development in Southern Africa Dr Khabele Matlosa, EISA
- Prospects for the Consolidation of Democracy on the African Continent:
   Evidence from the Afrobarometer Survey
   Dr Annie Barbara Chikwanha, Afrobarometer, IDASA, South Africa

11h30 - 12h30

- Gender & Democratic Governance in Southern Africa
   Professor Sheila Meintjies, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa
- Challenges for Democratic Governance & Development in East Africa Professor Rok Ajulu, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa
- Globalisation, Democracy & Development in Africa: An Analysis Ms Martha Mutisi, Africa University, Zimbabwe

12h30 - 13h00 Discussion

13h00 - 14h00 Lunch break

#### **SESSION 3**

Chair: Dr Abdalla Hamdok, Director, Africa Program, IDEA

#### Elections & Democracy

Democracy & Elections in Africa
 Professor Jørgen Elklit, University of Aarhus, Denmark

14h00 - 15h00

- Multiparty Democracy & Electoral Violence in Africa
   Dr Dorina A Bekoe, US Institute of Peace, Washington
- Elections as a Peace Building Instrument Professor Dirk Kotze, UNISA, Pretoria
- Electioneering Process & the Crisis of Legitimacy in Nigeria
   Mr Mike Opeyemi, Nigeria

15h00 - 15h30 Discussion

15h20 - 15h45 Tea break

#### **SESSION 4**

Chair: Professor Jørgen Elklit, EISA Board Member, University of Aarhus, Denmark

#### Political Institutions & Democracy

- Democracy & Political Institutions in Southern Africa Dr Chris Landsberg, CPS, South Africa
- The Politics of Party Coalitions in Africa Mr Felix Owuor, NDI, Kenya

15h45 - 16h30

- Opposition Strategies for Democracy & Development Professor Staffan I. Lindberg, Florida, USA
- Funding of Political Parties
   Mr Richard Calland & Ms Judith February, IDASA, Cape Town
- Third Term Mania & the Shortening of the African Democracy Life Expectancy
   Dr Marcellin Vidjennagni Zounmenou, Monash University, South Africa

16h30 - 17h00 Discussion

#### SESSION 5

17h00 - 18h00

Chair: Dr Patricia Joubert, University of Swaziland

# Political Institutions, Leadership & Democracy

- Traditional Leadership and Democracy in Cameroon Dr Thaddeus Menang, National Elections Observatory, Cameroon
- Powerful Presidents, Weak Parliaments: Identifying Best Practices of Executive Legislative Relations on the African Continent Ms. Lia NijZink, DARU, University of Cape Town, South Africa
- Diamonds, Dependency & Presidentialist Democracy in Botswana Professor Kenneth Good, University of Merlbourne, Australia
- When The Elephants Fight the Grass is Trampled: Executive Legislative Relations in Malawi
   Ms Danga K Mughogho & Ms Kimberly Smiddy, Cape Town, South Africa

18h00 - 18h30 Discussion

# **DAY 2: 9 November 2006**

TIME EVENT

#### **SESSION 6**

Chair: Dr Roukaya Kasenally, University of Mauritius

Civil Society, Democracy & Development

- The Role of Civil Society in Democracy & Development: Experiences from ECOSOCC, Mr Charles Mutasa, Executive Director, AFRODAD, Zimbabwe
- Unpacking Popular Participation in Development and Democracy: A Study of ECOSOCC

08h30 - 09h30

Dr Bhekinnkosi Moyo, IDASA

- The Role of Civil Society in Democracy and Development in Malawi Mr Jacob Nkambule, Malawi
- Active Citizenship: The Foundation for an Effective Democracy Ms Bronwen Wilson Thompson & Ms Ilona Tip, EISA
- The Role & Place of Civil Society in Regional Integration in Lesotho
   Mr Nthakeng Pheello Selinyane, Lesotho

09h30 - 10h00 Discussion

10h00 - 10h30 Tea break

#### SESSION 7

Chair: Prof. Sheila Meintjes, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa

NEPAD, APRM, Democracy & Development

- Strengths & Key Challenges of the APRM Process, Mr Ross Herbert, SAIIA, South Africa
- Defining Civil Society in the Context of the APRM Mr Grant Masterson, EISA

10h30 - 11h30

- Are NEPAD Leaders Democrats? Mbeki, Wade, & Obasanjo's Domestic Politics & NEPAD's Ethical Norms
  - Dr Yves Choula, University of Yaoundé, Cameroon
- The APRM Process in Mauritius: A Feminist Perspective A Story Untold Professor Sheila Bunwaree, University of Mauritius
- Zimbabwe: A Country That Needs the APRM More Than Any Other Country in Southern Africa

Dr Sabelo Ndlovu Gatsheni, Monash University, SA

#### 11h30 - 12h00 Discussion

#### **ACE LAUNCH & BUFFET LUNCH**

The ACE Electoral Knowledge Network is a partnership of seven organisations from across the globe:

- EISA
- International IDEA
- IFES
- UNDP
- UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- Elections Canada and
- The Federal Electoral Institute of Mexico (IFE)

12h00 - 14h00

It seeks to address EMBs' emerging challenges by facilitating information sharing, peer review, peer support, and peer learning, particularly between election practitioners who face the same challenges in different locations. The ACE Electoral

Knowledge Network has three components:

- 1. Knowledge Services
- 2. The Practitioners Network and
- 3. Capacity Development.

#### **SESSION 8**

14h00 - 15h30

Chair: Mr Stranger Kgamphe, Secretary General, South African National Commission for UNESCO

Education, DEmocracy & Development Round Table Discussion

- The Role of Education in Promoting Democracy & Development Ms Grace Kaimila-Kanjo, OSISA, South Africa
- The Role of Education Ministries in Promoting Democracy & Development Mr Granville Whittle, Department of Education, South Africa
- The Institutionalisation of Democracy & Human Rights in the Educational System
  - Ms Victoria Maloka, South African Human Rights Commission, South Africa
- Building Democracy & Development through Education Ms Sherri Le Motte, EISA

15h30 - 16h00 Discussion

# DAY 3: 10 November 2006

TIME EVENT

#### **SESSION 9**

08h30 - 09h30

Chair: Father Smangaliso Mkhatshwa, President, United Cities & Local Governments of Africa (UCLGA)

# Local Government & Democracy

- Local Governance & Development in Southern Africa
   Professor Bornwell Chikulo, University of North West, South Africa
- Developmental Local Government: A Case Study of South Africa
   Dr Jaap De Visser, University of the Western Cape, South Africa
- The March 2006 Local Government Elections in South Africa Professor Maxi Schoema, University of Pretoria, South Africa
- Challenges & Opportunities for Citizen Participation at Local Government Level in South Africa
   Mr Themba Nkwinika, EISA

09h30 - 10h00 Discussion

10h00 - 10h15 Tea break

# **SESSION 10**

Chair: Professor Staffan I. Lindberg, University of Florida, USA

Conflict, Security & Democratic Governance

10h15 - 11h00

- The Inter-Linkage between Democratic Governance & Security in Southern Africa
  - Professor Peter Vale, Rhodes University
- A Critical Security Overview of Africa's RECs
   Dr Martin Rupiya, Institute of Security Studies, South Africa

11h00 - 11h30 Discussion

Chair: Professor Jotham Momba, University of Zambia

11h30 - 12h30 Conflict, Security & Democratic Governance: Regional Perspectives

- Conflict & Governance in West Africa
   Dr Abdul Lamin, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa
- Democracy & Security in East Africa
   Dr Timothy Othieno, Institute for Global Dialogue, South Africa
- Conflict & Security Challenges in the Great Lakes Region Che Ajulu, Institute for Global Dialogue, South Africa
- Democratisation in Angola: Challenges & Prospects Mr Augusto Santana, EISA-Angola

12h30 - 13h00 Discussion

13h00 - 14h00 Lunch break

#### SESSION 11

Chair: Professor Susan Booysen, University of the Witwatersrand

Democratic Republic of Congo: Political Transition

14h00 - 15h00

- Constitutional Developments Mr Vincent Tohbi, EISA-DRC
- Demilitarisation, Demobilisation & Reintegration of Armed Militias in the DRC

Mr Henri Boshoff, Institute for Security Studies, South Africa

15h00 - 15h30 Discussion

#### SESSION 12

Chair: Dr Sheila Bunwaree, University of Mauritius

Democratic Governance & Poverty Eradication

- Poverty Reduction Strategy Initiatives, Democracy & Development in Southern Africa
  - Ms Sue Mbaya, Executive Director, Southern African Regional Poverty Network (SARPN), South Africa

15h30 - 16h30

- A Review of Poverty Reduction Strategies
   Ms Barbara Kalima-Phiri, Southern Africa Trust, South Africa
- A Decade of Democratic Assistance to Mozambique Mr Marc De Tollenaere, SDC, Mozambique
- A Regional Overview of Anti-Corruption Commissions in Southern Africa Mr Noel Kututwa, Executive Director, Southern African Human Rights Trust (SARHIT)

Vote of Thanks & Official Closing

 $16\text{h}30-17\text{h}00\quad\text{Ms Ilona Tip, Senior Advisor Conflict Management, Democracy \& Electoral}$ 

Education, EISA

19h00 for 19h30

GALA DINNER - BANQUETING HALL, WANDERERS CLUB