



**LANGUAGE – CULTURE – LITERATURE:  
EAST AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE**

May 23-24, 2019

University of Warsaw, Poland

Venue: University of Warsaw Library, Dobra St. 56/66, Room 315

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*Thursday, 23rd May*

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**9.30 – 10.00**    **Registration**

**10.00 – 10.30**    **Opening Speeches**

**Dr hab. Józef Pawłowski, Deputy Dean of Oriental Faculty, University of Warsaw**

**Ms. Anna Godoj, Department of Africa and the Middle East, Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

**Dr hab. Iwona Kraska-Szlenk, Head of the Department of African Languages and Cultures**

**10.30 – 11.15**    **Keynote Speaker**

**Aldin Mutembei, University of Dar es Salaam**

*Humour as testimonial voices: A comparative cultural analysis of cartoons during election years in Tanzania*

**11.15 – 11.30**    **Coffee Break**

**11.30 – 13.00**    **Pannel Session**

**11.30-12.00**

**Patrick Gathara, Special Guest**

*The history, impact and challenges of editorial cartooning in Kenya*

**12.00 -12.30**

**Godfrey Mwampembwa, Special Guest**

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**12.30-13.00**

**Maria Piotrowska, University of Warsaw**

*Son of the Soil. Cognitive analysis of Barack Obama in Kenyan cartoons*

**13.00 – 14.30**    **Lunch**

**14.30 – 16.00**    **Pannel Session**

**14.30-15.00**

**Iwona Kraska-Szlenk, University of Warsaw**

*Cultural conceptualizations in Swahili grammar and language use*

**15.00-15.30**

**Beata Wójtowicz, University of Warsaw**

*Culture-bound concepts in Swahili dictionaries*

15.30-16.00

**Magreth J. Kibiki, University of Dar es Salaam**

*The functions of the pragmatic marker 'sawa' in spoken Swahili*

16.00 – 16.15 Coffee Break

16.15 – 17.15 Pannel Session

16.15-16:45

**Eugeniusz Rzewuski, University of Warsaw**

*Pidginization of mythos and logos. On Abarambo narratives as heard in Congo Swahili by Jan Czekanowski (Poko, Bas-Uélé, 1908)*

16.15-17.15

**Martin Okoth, University of Warsaw**

*Swahili Honorifics*

18:00

Dinner

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Friday, 24th May

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10.00 – 10.45 Keynote Speaker

**Bernd Heine, University of Cologne**

*Designing linguistic discourse in a forgotten world: The Akie of north-central Tanzania*

10.45 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00-12.30 Pannel Session

11.00-11.30

**Izabela Romańczuk, University of Warsaw**

*God's role in reclaiming gender equality and justice. Feminist analysis of Zainab Alwi Baharoon's novel „Mungu hakopeshwi”*

11.30 -12.00

**Paulina Zając, Staromiejski Dom Kultury**

*The impact of street-art and social media on 2013 general elections campaign in Kenya*

12.00-12.30

**Adam Zdzięborski, University of Warsaw**

*The role of cuisine in Swahili culture*

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 Pannel Session

14.00-14.30

**Geofred Osoro, Wellesley College**

*Form and structure in Swahili proverbs*

14.30-15.00

**Kenneth Kamuri Ngure, Kenyatta University**

*The value of ethnographic input in the translation of proverbs: Illustrations from Rendille and Borana proverbs translated into English*

15.00-15.30

**Zipporah Otiso, University of Nairobi**

*Use of literary devices in Ekegusii proverbs*

15.30 – 15.45 Coffee Break

15.45 – 17.15 Pannel Session

**15.45 – 16.15**

**Lionel Posthumus, Univeristy of Johannesburg**

*Riddles and riddling in South Eastern Bantu*

**16.15 – 16:45**

**Ndirangu Wachanga**

*Politics of language in Ngugi wa Thiong'o's biography*

**16.45 – 17:15**

**Jane Akinyi Ngala Oduor, University of Nairobi**

*Okiek language, culture and environment in the Mau Forest Complex in Kenya*

**17.15**

**Closing Remarks**

**A Library tour and a walk into Roof Gardens**