

EADI

DIRECTORS' MEETING 2018

The key is networking.
In Europe, there is no better
occasion for institute directors
to meet, exchange and discuss.



ABOUT

This annual event connects EADI research institutes for more effective co-operation by sharing ideas, identifying common problems, reviewing progress of ongoing initiatives, creating jointly new project plans.

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PROGRAMME

Day 1 Thursday 11 October

From 08:30 **Coffee and Registration**

09:30 – 11:00

Welcome and Opening

- Henning Melber, EADI President
- Werner Raza, Director of OEFSE

Panel:

Update on European Development Policy – Multiannual Framework, Neighbourhood and Development Cooperation

Speakers:

- Niels Keijzer, Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik / German Development Institute
- Michael Obrovsky, Austrian Foundation for Development Research OEFSE
- Maja Bučar, University of Ljubljana

Chair:

- Simon Lightfoot, University of Leeds

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 12:30

EADI Information Session: Outlook 2018 / 2019

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch

13:30 – 15:30

**Workshops:
Knowledge and Research**

World Café based on strategic areas of EADI identified at the 2017 meeting.

Thematic parallel interactive mini-workshops

- Research Partnerships and research capacities
(input: by Sarah White, University of Bath and President of DSA)
- New approaches to knowledge production beyond traditional research
(input: Sarah Cummings, Knowledge for Development Partnership/Athena Institute, VU University Amsterdam)
- Policy influence and practice: On the effectiveness of knowledge brokering
(input: Lata Narayanaswamy, University of Leeds)

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee break

16:00 – 19:00

Public conference:

C3 - Centrum für Internationale Entwicklung

Building a New Partnership between Africa and the EU. Business as usual or a transforming agenda?

Louka Katseli (ACBF – African Capacity Building Foundation)

Yenkong Ngangjoh Hodu (University of Manchester)

Henning Melber (EADI)

Domenico Rosa (DG DEVCO)

Désirée Schweitzer (MFA Director Dev.) (tbc)

Keynote:

Yenkong Ngangjoh Hodu – Prof. of International Economic Law at the University of Manchester

Comment and Discussion

Adams Bodomo – Prof. of African Studies at the University of Vienna

The negotiation of the Post-Cotonou Agreement between the EU and the ACP-Countries (African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States) will start during the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the second half of 2018. The relationship between Africa and Europe is not only, due to recent problems of migration from the global south to Europe of major importance. Considering the economic and geopolitical strategies of China in Africa on one hand and the international consensus of implementing the broader concept of the sustainable development on the other hand demands new political commitments and new strategies in the African European relationship.

Within this event the most important challenges of the issue will be discussed from different perspectives with representatives of the EU, of the Austrian Government and with representatives of European Development Research Organisations and Universities.

The conference is organised in addition to two other conferences during the Austrian Presidency dealing with the African European relationship, which are organised by the

Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs (6.11.2018) and the Vienna Institute for International Dialogue and Cooperation – VIDC (26.11.2018 and 27.11.2018). Together we put more emphasis on the importance of the African European relationship and we want to offer space for discussions, information and facts about economic and political strategies from different perspectives.

Registration: office@oefse.at

20:00 **Public reception**

Day 2 **Friday 12 October**

09:00 – 11:00 **Opening and wrap up of first workshop day:
Next steps, new initiatives**

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30 – 13:00 **Panel:
Reflecting on Development Studies in the New Millennium**
Outcomes of a discussion and reflection process at EADI Directors' Meetings since 2014

- Isa Baud, University of Amsterdam
- Elisabetta Basile, University of Rome La Sapienza

Book Launch:
Debating Development Studies - Paradigms, Knowledges, Impact, Voices (EADI Series on Global Development)

13:00 **Farewell Lunch**

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