

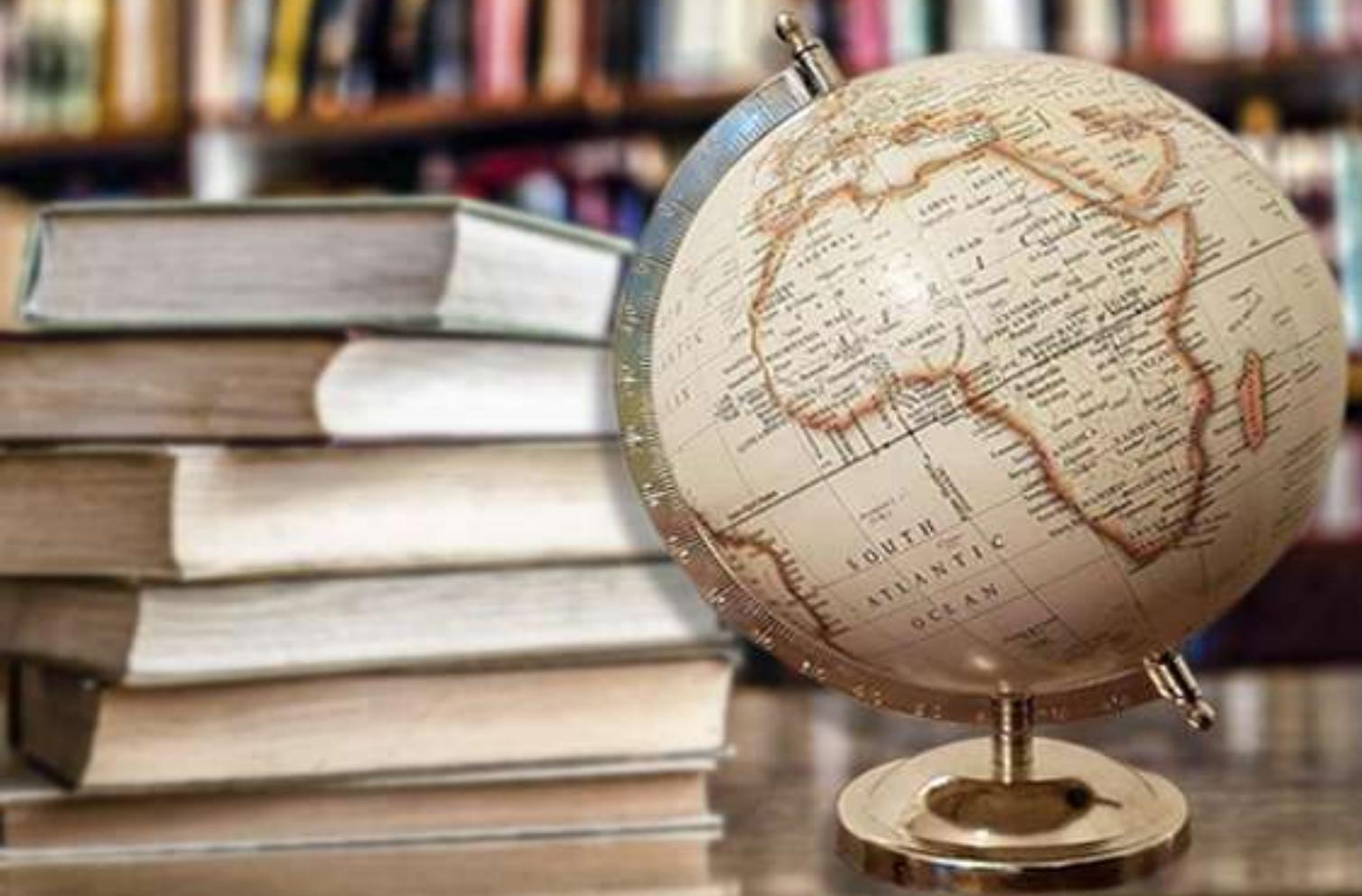
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# Geopolitics of Sub-Saharan Africa – Political Transitions in Africa

(2024 – 6th edition - 17-21 June 2024 - 20 hours - *online*)

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Turkey in Africa: A New Emerging Power?

Prof. Dr. Elem Eyryce Tepeciklioğlu - Social Sciences University of Ankara, Turkey

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China and the Belt and Road Initiative in Africa

Dr. Yichao Li - China Institute of African Studies, China

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Political Transition in Africa: A view from the Horn of Africa

Dr. Yonas Ashine Demisse - College of Social Sciences, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia

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Is Liberal Democracy Failing in Africa or Is Africa Failing under Liberal Democracy?

Prof. Efem N. Ubi - Acting Director of Research and Studies, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), Nigeria

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EU external action on peace and state-building in Somalia and Mali

Dr. Ana Carina S. Franco - Portuguese Institute of International Relations - IPRI NOVA, Portugal

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Democratization in Africa: The development condition revisited

Prof. Manuel Couret Pereira Branco – University of Évora, Portugal

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14h-16h

Continuities, Transformations, and Roots of Political Turbulence in Ethiopia, 1974-2024

Prof. Jan Zahorik - Faculty of social sciences, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic

16h-18h

Authoritarianism and the fight against extremist groups/terrorism in Africa

Prof. Fernando Luz Brancoli - Institute of International Relations and Defense of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (IRID - UFRJ), Brazil

**21st of June 2024**

14h-16h

Civilian crisis management in Africa

Ambassador José Costa Pereira – former Director of Pan African Affairs of the European External Action Service (EEAS) and current Portuguese Ambassador in South Africa, Portugal

16h-18h

Analysing (In) formal relations and networks in Security Force Assistance: The case of Niger

Prof. Nina Wilén - Lund University and the Director for the Africa Programme at Egmont Institute for International Relation, Sweden

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**Tuition:** 50 euros

**Discount:** 50% for students and staff of the institutions involved in the scientific committee and Portuguese public entitie

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**Value of the scholarship:** 200 euros

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- To be resident in the Portuguese territory;
- 80 % of assiduity;
- Approval in the evaluation of the course (6 ECTS with an essay);
- Submit the application and all the documentation by the established date;
- Selected in rank order.