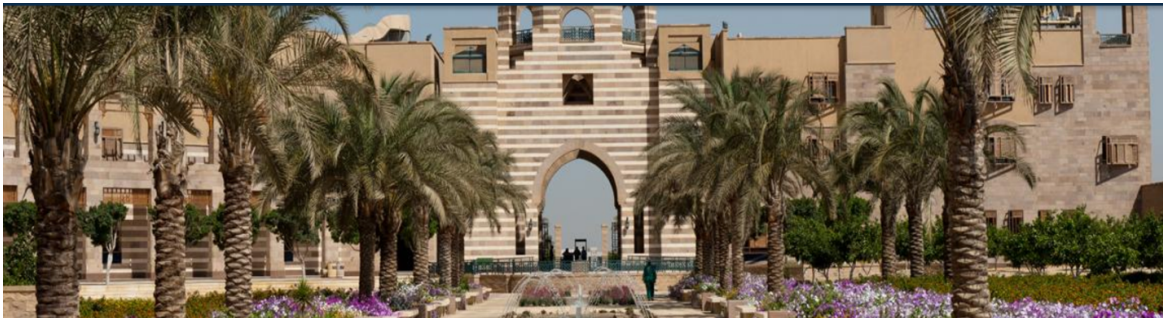


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**LOCALIZATION OF AFRICAN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA
Challenges, Lessons Learnt & Opportunities for African Public Administration Systems**

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**Panel I: Taking Stock of SDGs & African Agenda 2063 Implementation:
Challenges and Opportunities**

June 6, 2023 | (4:15 pm to 5:30 pm Cairo)

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- Linkages and alignments between the 2030 Global SDG and the 2063 African Agenda
- Global development norms and priorities and the African contexts
- Public policy and administration frameworks to incorporate inter-country and intra-country variations
- African countries' experience of SDG localization, monitoring and implementation: where do we stand?
- Why is SDG localization critical? What are the comparative advantages of subnational governments in SDG localization?

Moderator: Shin Kue Ryu (Idaho State University, USA)

Presenters:

- **Shamsul Haque** (National University of Singapore, Singapore). *Challenges to the Realization of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Developing Nations with Reference to the African Context.*
- **Peter F. Haruna** (Texas A&M International University, USA) and **Christelle J. Auriacombe** (University of Johannesburg, South Africa). *Exploring Africa's Agenda 2063 for Transformation and Its Implication for Professional Education and Professionalism.*
- **Sandra Schrouder** (Barry University, USA), **James Korku Agbodzakey** (University of North Texas at Dallas, USA) and **Samuel Bore** (University of North Texas at Dallas, USA). *Sustainable Development Goals and Addressing Disparities in Women's Health through the Lends of Collaborative Governance: A Focus on Africa.*
- **Liza Ceciel van Jaarsveldt** (University of South Africa, South Africa). *SDG 8 and South Africa's Growing Youth Unemployment Challenges.*



Panel II: The Efficacy of Democracy and Governance for Sustainable Development in African States

June 6, 2023, | (5:30 pm to 6:45 pm Cairo)

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- Exploring the challenges to governance and public policy in localizing and improving the sustainable development agenda in Africa
- Reviewing efficiency losses from context-blind hegemonic democratic models to achieve sustainable development objectives for citizens of Africa
- Discussing and developing regime-dependent governance models for African countries
- Exploring the impact of governance issues on sustainable development and fostering suggestions for overcoming challenges to effective democratic governance in Africa

Moderator: Sylvester Murray (Cleveland State University, USA)

Presenters:

- **Harvey L. White** (University of Delaware, Biden School of Public Policy and Administration, USA). *The reemergence of Authoritarian Regimes in Africa and the Implications of Democracy.*
- **James K. Agbodzakey** (University of North Texas at Dallas, USA). *Non-State Actors' Roles in Africa's Governance and Democratic Experiment.*
- **Aziza Zemrani** (University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, USA). *Governance in a constitutional monarchy: Constitutional Reforms for Women and Citizens' rights to freedom of thought, ideas, artistic expression, and creation in Morocco.*
- **Berhanu Mengistu** (Old Dominion University, USA). *The Tribalization of Politics in Africa and Its Impact on Good Governance and Sustainable Development: The Case of Ethiopia.*
- **Marietou Makalou-Berthe** (CIMPAD, USA). *Political Parties, Corruption, and Insecurity: Military versus Electoral Regimes in Mali.*



**Panel III: Assessing African Public Administration
Contributions to the SDGs: Lessons Learnt**

June 6, 2023 | (6:45 pm to 8:00 pm Cairo)

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- SDGs localization policies and implementation: Comparative case studies, proven platforms and means of cross-fertilization of best practices
- Multi-sectoral partnerships over SDGs Localization; role of street-level bureaucracy; urban/rural alignment over development priorities
- Institutional innovations considering the unique African context; Harnessing local strengths and arrangements for diffusion
- Role of the youth in implementing SDGs and AUA 2063

Moderator: Peter Haruna (Texas A&M International University, USA)

Presenters:

- **Bakry Elmedni** (LIU Brooklyn, USA). *Resistance Committees and their Roles in Sudan's Democratic Transition.*
- **Muthoni Kanyana** (MK Africa, Kenya) and **Florence Nyokabi** (MK Africa, Kenya). *SDGs Innovation Challenge: Enhancing University Students Innovativeness around SDGs.*
- **Bok Gyo Jeong.** (Kean University, USA). *Civil Society and State Collaborative Governance in SDGs Implementation in the Global South.*
- **Aminata Sillah** (Towson University, USA). *Youth Participation in Sustainable Development – The Case of Gambia.*
- **Genevieve Enid Meyers** (University of Detroit Mercy, USA). *The Design and Implementation of Citizen-Centric Service Delivery Strategies: An Assessment of Service Uganda Centers*



**Panel IVa: The Design and Implementation of
Local Sustainable Development Projects: Challenges and Solutions**

June 7, 2023 | (1:30 pm to 3:00 pm Cairo)

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- Multilevel governance, public policy, planning and administration frameworks and processes in Africa: impact on SDGs national and local implementation
- Role of local governments and their involvement in infrastructure planning and management
- Financing subnational governments in Africa - fiscal decentralization, capacity, and tools of local government finance
- Role of technology in fast-tracking SDG implementation, accountability and transparency
- E-government and SDG's tracking

Moderator: Gedeon Mudacumura (IARC, Executive Director, USA)

Presenters:

- **Abdel Rahman Mohamed Nagy** (American University in Cairo, Egypt). *Empowering Vulnerable Communities: The Bab Amal Project in Assiut and Sohag Governorates.*
- **Mohamed Elkaramany** (American University in Cairo, Egypt). *Evaluating the Impact of the Egyptian Food Bank General Feeding Program.*
- **Rose U. Onyekwelu** (Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Nigeria), **Dike Ego** (Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Nigeria), and **Okpalaibekwe Uche** (Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Nigeria). *E-governance and Sustainable Development Goals: The African Experience.*
- **Gamariel Mbonimana** (East African University, Rwanda). *Rwanda Homegrown Initiatives Toward SDG's Achievement: A Case of Girinka (One Cow Per Family) Program.*
- **Rym Kaki** (University of Southern California, USA). *Role and Merits of Social Finance in Poverty Reduction & Financial Inclusion: Lessons from Tunisian Microfinance*



**Panel IVb: The Design and Implementation of
Local Sustainable Development Projects: Challenges and Solutions**

June 7, 2023 | (3:00 pm to 4:30 pm Cairo)

El Jameel Building, ground floor Room# PO90 & PO85

- Multilevel governance, public policy, planning and administration frameworks and processes in Africa: impact on SDGs national and local implementation
- Role of local governments and their involvement in infrastructure planning and management
- Financing subnational governments in Africa - fiscal decentralization, capacity, and tools of local government finance
- Role of technology in fast-tracking SDG implementation, accountability and transparency
- E-government and SDG's tracking

Moderator: Ghada Baroum (American University in Cairo, Egypt)

Presenters:

- **Aminata Sillah** (Towson University, USA) *Co-creating as a Solution to Sustainable Development Goals.*
- **Darlene Pierre-Louis** (University of Arizona, USA) *Participatory Budgeting: Prerequisite for Sustainable Development Projects.*
- **El Shihary, Manal** (Cairo University, Egypt) and **Nahla Mahmoud** (Cairo University, Egypt). *Institutional Isomorphism of Participatory Budgeting in Africa: the Case of Localities in Tanzania.*
- **Gloria Donkor** (University of Massachusetts Lowell, USA) and **Cecilia Idika-Kalu** (University of Massachusetts Lowell, USA). *Exploring the Impact of the Used Clothing Trade in Africa's Sustainability and Economic Agenda.*
- **Rediate Tekeste** (Ethiopia Diaspora Fellowship, USA) *Leveraging Digital Competencies in Harnessing Diaspora and Ethiopian Youth Talent Development: A Case Study of EDF*



Panel V: Improving SDGs Localization Governance, Infrastructure and Finance

June 7, 2023 | (4:30 pm to 5:45 pm Cairo)

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- Role of technology in fast-tracking SDG implementation, accountability and transparency
- E-government and SDG's tracking

Moderator: Rym Kaki, (University of Southern California, USA).

Presenters:

- **Shady Saleh.** (Information and Decision Support Center of the Egyptian Cabinet, Egypt). *People's Safety Comes First: The Case of the Informal Settlements Development Fund in Egypt in Ending the Unsafe Slums*
- **Sally Abd El Moez** (Cairo University, Egypt). *Strengthening the Role of Local Administration in Achieving and Financing SDGs in Egypt.*
- **Anthony Ejue Egberi** (Federal University Wukari, Nigeria), **Madumelu H. C. Madubueze** (Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Nigeria), and **Nnamdi Nwadiogbu** (Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Nigeria). *Sustainable Development Goals Localization Amongst Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Countries: A Lesson for African Countries.*
- **Laila M. Elmoshneb** (Development Alternatives Incorporated, USA). *ESG and Africa: Can ESG be Africa's fast track to implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and African Agenda 2063 hand in hand?*
- **Oluwole Owoye** (Western Connecticut State University, USA). *Rebuilding and Financing the Core Infrastructures in African Countries.*



Panel VI: SDGs Monitoring, Evaluation & Assessment: The Role of Metrics & Data

June 7, 2023 | (5:45 pm to 7:00 pm Cairo)

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- How do we design and adopt smart metrics in the African context
- How do we verify and enable feedback to address SDG localization shortcomings
- Intersectionality in methodology and monitoring capacity
- Funding African SDG data collection, benchmarking, and reporting; role of ICTs for data collection and digitalization
- Big data and predictive analytics for sustainable development
- Critical and nuanced consumption of SDG data in the localized African contexts

Moderator: Liza Ceciel van Jaarsveldt (University of South Africa, South Africa)

Presenters:

- **Gabriel Kabanda** (University of Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe). *Accelerated Sustainability with AI/Machine Learning and Metaverse-based Big Data Analytics architecture for fast-tracking SDG implementation in Africa.*
- **Juliana Abagsonema Abane** (Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana). *Localizing Sustainable Development Goal 5 in Ghana: An assessment of Women's Representation in Politics and Management Positions in the Ashanti Region.*
- **Abbas Mugisha** (Kabale University, Uganda). *Water Diplomacy for Effective Management of Climate Change Impacts on Transboundary Water Resources: An Assessment of Uganda's Commitment for Nile River Protection against Climate Change.*
- **John Osaekwapong** (Center for Democratic Development, Ghana). *Afrobarometer as a unique tool for assessing the agenda 2063 outcomes.*
- **Simon H. Okoth** (Virginia Commonwealth University, USA). *Countering the 'Yellow Jerrycan Syndrome': Policy and Administrative Approaches to Achieving SDG#6-Clean Water and Sanitation in Africa.*



**Panel VII: Bilateral, Multilateral and Continental Cooperation Efforts
in Support of African SDG Localization**

June 7, 2023 | (7:00 pm to 8:30 pm Cairo)

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- Leveraging multilateral and bilateral development institutions' support and investment
- Continent-based development institutions and tools; supporting subnational governments and home-grown development initiatives
- Role of African Development Bank and the African Continental Free Trade Area in supporting SDG localization
- African climate change policies, management, infrastructure, and finance in light of COP27 framework
- Strengthening global/continent partnerships and platforms for African SDG localization

Moderator: Mohamed Alaa Abdel-Moneim (Cairo University, Egypt)

Presenters:

- **Shin Kue Ryu** (Idaho State University, USA). *Changing landscape of international aid and its implications on African Development.*
- **Simone Martin-Howard** (LIU Brooklyn, USA). *United States and South African Partnerships: Challenges to Higher Education during COVID-19.*
- **Salma Abdel-Nasser Sakr** (American University in Cairo, Egypt). *Climate Change and Darfur: A Holistic Security Approach.*
- **Meriam Zegeye** (Georgetown University, USA). *WASH in Ethiopia: An International Law and Human Rights Lens.*
- **Phil Nyaku** (Idaho State University, USA). *SADC's Triadic Identity in Managing the Cabo Delgado Insurgency: An Alternative Transnational Administration Theory.*

Concluding Remarks

Rym KAKI (University of Southern California, USA), SAPA Chair

