



MAKERERE INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL RESEARCH

Contemporary Ethiopia

WORKSHOP : FRIDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2019

WELCOME ADDRESS

9:00AM **Mahmood Mamdani**

SESSION 1

9:15AM – 11:15AM **The Capital and the Region**

✦ **AYELE BEKRIE** *Discourse of New Leadership and Political Transformation in Ethiopia*

✦ **ADANE ALEMAYEHU** *The Politics of Citizenship and Political Transition in Contemporary Ethiopia*

MAHMOOD MAMDANI CHAIR | **SAMSON A. BEZABEH** DISCUSSANT

11:15AM – 11:30AM **COFFEE BREAK**

SESSION 2

11:30AM – 1:30PM **Religion and State Power**

✦ **SERAWIT B. DEBELE** *Rituals as sites of Political Constestation: An Analysis of 'Down Down Wayane' 'Down Down TPLF' at Ireecha 2014-2016*

✦ **YONAS ASHINE** *Reformists and Prophets: The Discourse of Madamar and Popular Understanding of Political Crisis and Change in Ethiopia*

HAYDEE BANGEREZAKO CHAIR | **SOLOMON MENGESTEAB** DISCUSSANT

1:30PM – 2:30PM **LUNCH BREAK**

SESSION 3

2:30PM – 4:30PM **The Dialectic of Reform**

✦ **FASIL MERWI** *Public Sphere, Rationality and the Limits of the Federal Experiment in Ethiopia*

✦ **SOLOMON MEBRI GOFIE** *State Repression, Societal Responses and the Challenges of Political Reforms in Ethiopia*

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4:30PM – 4:45PM **COFFEE BREAK**

SESSION 4

4:45PM – 6:45PM **Reform, Developmentalism and Citizenship**

✦ **CENTIME ZEEKE** *Protesting the Developmental State: Living in the Aftermath of the 2005 Elections*

✦ **SAMSON A. BEZABEH** *Reform Without Change: Why Ethiopia's Political "Renewal" is Likely to End in Tragedy*

BENEDETTA LANFRANCHI CHAIR | **YOSEPH SENTAYEHU** DISCUSSANT

CONCLUDING REMARKS

6:45PM – 7:00PM **Mahmood Mamdani**