African Agency: Implications for International Relations Theory

Wednesday 14th September 2011

Department of International Politics, City University

9.30 – 10.00 Arrival and Coffee

10.00 – 10.15 Welcome
Prof. Christina Slade, Dean of School of Social Sciences and Arts
Dr Sophie Harman, Principal Investigator of the Seminar Series

10.15 – 12.15: Beyond the Periphery
Africa: Diffused continentally; Undermined abroad?
Prof. Chris Landsberg (University of Johannesburg)

From Empire and Cold War to the Emerging Markets Century: what can we learn from Africa’s persistently peripheral role in International Relations?
Dr Stefan Andreasson (Queens University Belfast)

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch

13.15 – 15.15 Agency and the State
State Agency and State Formation
Dr David Williams (City University)

Africa, governmentality and the international: reflections on agency and the climate change negotiations
Dr Carl Death (Aberystwyth University)

15.15 – 15.30 Coffee Break

15.30 – 17.30 African Agency and Power in IR
Dr Danielle Beswick (University of Birmingham)

African Agency in International Relations: notes for analysis
Dr William Brown (Open University)

17.30 – 18.00 Summary and Reflections

19.00 Dinner: Santore, Exmouth Market, EC1R 4QL