The TCD Centre for New Irish Studies and The Department of History, Queen’s University Belfast in association with The TCD Long Room Hub Arts and Humanities Research Institute

Ireland in Africa/Africa in Ireland

A one-day workshop reflecting on past and recent connections and on new research in Ireland on things African

Keynote address:
Prof. Donal McCracken
(University of KwaZulu-Natal)
The Irish in Africa - colonial running dogs or harbingers of change?’

Panelists will include:
Bill Hart, Abel Ugba, Laura Brown, Filipe de Meneses, Michelle D’Arcy, Padraig Carmody, Ailish Veale, and Kevin O’Sullivan.

11th May 2017 in the Trinity Long Room Hub

Admission is free, but please book at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ireland-in-africaafrika-in-ireland-tickets-33753844658 to reserve a place
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Draft Programme

09.15. Welcome and Introduction

1. Africans in Ireland

09.30. Bill Hart (Ulster University): ‘American sources for a black presence in nineteenth-century Ireland’

09.50. Eric Morier-Genoud (Queen’s University Belfast): ‘Cosmopolitan Belfast? Africans and Africa at Queen’s University, 1941-1971’

10.10. Abel Ugba (University of East London): ‘Identity, belonging and media use by Irish Africans’

10.45 Coffee in Ideas space, level 3


11.15. Laura Brown (Maynooth University): “They were a greasy, downtrodden lot”: Egypt and the perception of Egyptians in Anglo-Egyptian Sudan 1899-1956’


11.55. Filipe de Meneses (Maynooth University), ‘From metropolitan revolution to colonial exodus: The fall of Portuguese Angola, 1974-5’

12.30. Lunch break

13.45. Michelle D’Arcy (Trinity College Dublin): ‘The historical antecedents and contemporary political impact of devolution in Kenya’

14.05. Padraig Carmody (Trinity College Dublin): ‘The geopolitics and economics of BRICS resource and market access in Southern Africa’


4. **The Irish in Africa**

15.00. Ailish Veale (Trinity College Dublin): ‘Irish Catholic medical missionaries in the development era’

15.20. David Dickson (Trinity College Dublin): ‘The missionary motorist: Thomas Gavan Duffy's Africa crossing, 1927-8’

16.00. *Tea in Ideas Space, level 3*

5. **Keynote paper**

16.30. Donal McCracken (University of Kwazulu-Natal, Durban): ‘The retreat down Africa. The Irish in Africa - Colonial running dogs or harbingers of change?’

17.30. *Workshop ends.*