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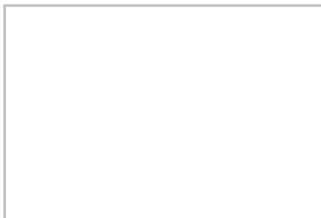
In this edition of Focus on Africa, we're pleased to present a few highlights from the wide array of events and research collaborations generating meaningful discourse on Africa at Yale as well as the recruitment efforts, educational partnerships, and programs increasing our impact and visibility on the continent. This fall the Coca-Cola Fund Lecture Series at Yale featured H. E. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda, as well as notable Ugandan academic, author, and political commentator Mahmood Mamdani, director of the Makerere Institute of Social Research. We hope you enjoy the issue!

- Eddie Mandhry, Director for Africa Office of International Affairs



Rwandan president addresses critics in Yale lecture

Paul Kagame, the president of the Republic of Rwanda, gave a Coca-Cola World Fund Lecture at Yale in September. During his lecture he urged audience members to seek to understand his country's complexity and its history. [More >>](#)



Jackson Institute expands recruiting efforts in Africa

Yale's Jackson Institute for Global Affairs announces two new scholarships for African students in pursuit of Masters degrees. [More >>](#)



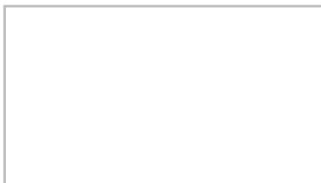
Mahmood Mamdani Lectures at Yale

Mahmood Mamdani, the Executive Director of the Makerere Institute of Social Research in Uganda delivers a Coca Cola World Fund Lecture at Yale. His lecture "Beyond Criminal Justice: Learning from South Sudan," questioned characterizations of South Sudan as a failed state. [More >>](#)



The Yale Young African Scholars program grows

The Yale Young African Scholars program (YYAS) completes another successful summer in Rwanda, Ghana, and Zimbabwe, welcoming 300 of Africa's most talented high school students to its growing alumni network. [More >>](#)



Uganda partnership celebrates 10 years

For the past decade Yale physicians, residents, and medical students have been traveling to Uganda for clinical rotations, and Ugandan physicians and students have been training in New Haven. [More >>](#)



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Advancing early childhood health

Rafael Pérez-Escamilla, professor of epidemiology at the Yale School of Public Health shares his thoughts on the recently released 2016 Lancet Early Childhood Development Series. Pérez-Escamilla served on the committee that developed the series.



Yale Partnerships for Global Health marks 10 years

A program initially launched to help curb "African Brain Drain" is now promoting biomedical research by scientists at universities throughout the Global South. [More >>](#)



'Beyond Jihad'

Divinity School Professor Lamin Sanneh, director of the Project on Religious Freedom and Society in Africa discusses his new book which explores the pacifist tradition of Islam in West Africa. [More >>](#)



British Art. [More >>](#)

Yinka Shonibare featured at Yale Center for British Art

Works by contemporary British Nigerian artist Yinka Shonibare MBE, who is best known for his explorations of the legacies of colonialism through sculpture, installations, film, and photography, will be on display this fall at the Yale Center for

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS ON CAMPUS

Africa Week Celebrates 10 Year Anniversary

Africa Week is Yale's largest student-run exposition of contemporary Africa and a week-long series of events, hosted and organized by the Yale African Students Association. This year's Africa Week will take place between the 7th-12th of November. The theme is MADE IN AFRICA. [More >>](#)

Yale Africa Business Practicum at School of Management

The Africa Business Practicum (ABP) is an annual Africa-focused symposium that began in 2014 at the Yale School of Management. ABP offers a valuable learning and networking

opportunity for students and professionals interested in the African economic growth story. [More >>](#)

Conference on African languages

Linguists and researchers from around the world specializing in the study of African languages gathered at Yale in early October to discuss the evolution of languages through urbanization, technological innovations, and youth cultures throughout Africa. [More >>](#)

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