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Interrogative and syntactic inquiries : case studies from Africa / Bernhard Köhler (ed.) - Köln : Rüdiger Köppe Verlag, 2016.

Abstract: The present volume can be interpreted, in part, as a reaction to the editor's PhD thesis 'Form und Funktion von Fragesätzen in afrikanischen Sprachen' (see Köhler 2015). In this thesis, it is shown that a considerable number of African languages form interrogative sentences in ways which are typologically uncommon. For example, they have wh-verbs, right-shifted wh-pronouns, a low pitch or even a reduced morphology to mark interrogation. All this implies that linguistic theories, which mostly concentrate on widespread patterns, need to integrate rare patterns as well because the latter are also part of natural languages and they equally deserve an explanation - be it feasible or not. To stimulate an awareness of these uncommon phenomena, the editor has sent out invitations to a number of specialists on certain relevant languages or language groups. Several researchers have accepted to write papers for the present volume: Andersen on Dinka, Baye on Amharic, Dakubu on Kwa and Gur, Robert on Wolof and Schuh on a few Chadic languages. Although some of the languages discussed are relatively well-known, the present papers span parts of grammar which have not yet been studied extensively, either in the field of interrogative sentences as a whole or concerning certain aspects of them. [ASC Leiden abstract]

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State, governance and development in Africa / Editors: Firoz Khan, Euonell Grundling, Greg Ruiters, Zwelinzima Ndevu and Basani Baloyi - Cape Town : Juta and Company Ltd, 2016.

Abstract: This collective volume examines the linkages between governance and economic development. The authors - mostly young African scholars - engage with statehood, state-building and statecraft focusing on issues such as rent-seeking, patronage, neopatrimonialism and bad governance. The contributions, which are organized in four parts, challenge the mainstream opinions of donors, funders, development banks, international non-governmental organisations and development organisations. Part I: Contemporary statecraft and state engineering: overview (Euonell Grundling); 1. The state, governance and the political settlement: to walk questioningly and to make the road while walking (Firoz Khan); 2. China in Africa: Quo vadis governance? (Louise Scholtz and Saliem Fakir); 3. Governance, aid and institutional traps (David Ross Olanya); PART 2: Government, governance and party systems in Africa: overview (Zwelinzima Ndevu); 4. Changing demographics: is Kenya's political stability guaranteed? (Katindi Sivi-Njonjo); 5. Public participation in South Africa: strengthening state accountability in a dominant party system (Janine Hicks and Imraan Buccus); Part III: Governance, policy reform and institution-building: overview (Greg Ruiters); 6. The Somali question and prospects for state-building (Abdihakim Aynte); 7. Landscapes of terror: cityness, routine violence and urban development (Edgar Pieterse); Part IV: Governance, resource mobilisation and financing: overview (Basani Baloyi); 8. Mining in Malawi: another missed opportunity? (Janet Ndagha Liabunya); 9. Green economy, realpolitik and resource mobilisation in Rwanda, Mozambique and South Africa (Manisha Gulati and Precious Zikhali). [ASC Leiden abstract]

Algeria

Espaces et rites funéraires / Salim Drici ... [et al.] - Oran : Centre de recherche en anthropologie sociale et culturelle (CRASC), 2015.

Abstract: Les contributions à ce dossier portant sur les espaces et rites funéraires accorde une place importante aux éléments de matérialisation du culte des morts (édicules, mausolées, monuments votifs...) et aux nombreux aspects relatifs aux cimetières comme lieux de mémoire et de commémoration, et aux rites funéraires comme pratiques sociales dans leur diverses manifestations culturelles, rituelles, commémoratives, mémorielles. Titres: Présentation (Saddek Benkada et Mohamed Hirreche Baghdad); Genèse et permanence des pratiques funéraires de la préhistoire au monde antique en Afrique du Nord (Salim Drici); Espace sacré et pratiques rituelles

à Sidi el Khier (Sétif-Algérie) (Hamza Zeghlache et Monia Bousnina); Le "Quarantième jour" : approches anthropo-philosophiques (Mohamed Hirreche Baghdad); Cimetières et extension urbaine en situation coloniale : le cas du cimetière musulman d'Oran (1868) (Saddek Benkada); Origines et caractéristiques du cimetière français contemporain (Régis Bertrand). [Résumé ASC Leiden]

Cameroon

Rites et religions dans le bassin du lac Tchad / Émilie Guitard et Walter van Beek (éd.) - Paris : Karthala, 2017.

Abstract: Cet ouvrage d'études comparatistes dans le bassin du lac Tchad, illustre combien le concept de 'religions africaines', s'il fait sens, ne peut être décliné qu'uniquement au pluriel et relève d'une forte diversité. Trois grands thèmes sont analysés en profondeur dans cette étude: la relation dialectique entre les changements sociaux et l'évolution des phénomènes religieux, les liens entre religion, pouvoir et territoire, et enfin l'idée de *communitas* qui met à jour le travail de la religion dans la cohésion sociale. Sommaire: Introduction. Image, espace et communauté - Walter van Beek et Émilie Guitard. Première partie: Religions et changements sociaux. 1. Une religion en dissolution - Walter E. A. van Beek; 2. Un prêche islamique sur la prévention de l'infection par le VIH - Henry Tourneux et Boubakary Abdoulaye; 3. L'action des missions catholiques chez les Gizéy du Cameroun (xxe-xxie siècles) - Antonino Melis et Valerio Petrarca; Deuxième partie: Religion, pouvoir, territoire. 4. "Le grand tas dordures est un instrument pour faire vivre la chefferie longtemps": Accumulations de déchets et royauté sacrée guiziga Bui Marva (Extrême Nord, Cameroun) - Émilie Guitard; 5. Gouverner par le sacré, la rivalité entre Mowo et Gudur (monts Mandara) - Christian Seignobos; 6. Les modes sacrificiels de résolution des conflits dans les monts Mandara - Jeremie Diye; 7. Vers une histoire du "culte des crânes" au sud du bassin tchadien : approche ethnoarchéologique - Olivier Langlois; 8. Du coq à toutes les sauces : succession temporelle et spatiale des cycles rituels masa et tupuri (Extrême-Nord du Cameroun/Tchad) - Igor de Garine, Chloé Violon et Jean Wencélius; Troisième partie: Rites et *communitas*. 9. De la possession chez les Tupuri - Suzanne Ruelland; 10. Les rituels de possession par les génies chez les Kotoko - Adam Mahamat; 11. Les rites de procréation chez les Gbaya Yaayuwé - Jeannette Sylvie Pilo Atta; 12. L'adresse annuelle aux ancêtres chez les Gbaya de Centrafrique - Paulette Roulon-Doko; Épilogue. Trente ans d'histoire du réseau Méga-Tchad - Catherine Baroin. [Résumé ASC Leiden]

Democratic Republic of Congo

La transition de la RDC vers l'émergence économique = The D.R. of Congo towards an emerging economy / numéro coord. par Jean-Marc Kilolo et André Nyembwe - Paris : L'Harmattan, 2016.

Abstract: Ce numéro est consacré à la transition de la République Démocratique du Congo (RDC) vers le statut d'économie émergente. Les contributions rendent compte des préalables structurels et de certaines politiques concrètes à mettre en œuvre par le gouvernement congolais en vue d'une croissance économique soutenue. Les articles présentent aussi des diagnostics sectoriels et des propositions inspirées de l'expérience internationale. Sommaire: La transition de la RDC vers le statut de pays émergent: le défi / Jean-Marc Kilolo & André Nyembwe; Determinants of structural transformation of the Congolese economy / Thaddee Badibanga & John M. Ulimwengu; Le capital humain et la trajectoire économique de la République Démocratique du Congo / Andrianasy Angelo Djistera; La contribution de la diaspora à l'émergence de la RD Congo: la promotion de l'investissement dans le secteur privé / Claude Sumata; Les défis de la transformation économique de la RD Congo / Jean-Marc Kilolo Malambwe; Les zones économiques spéciales en République Démocratique du Congo / Serge Songolo Aruna, Auguy Bolanda Menga & Eliane Manyonga Majambo; Le rôle stratégique du secteur énergétique dans la transformation économique de la RDC / Jean-Marc Kilolo Malambwe; Gouvernance mondiale et émergence / Bertrand Ateba. [Résumé ASC Leiden]

Ghana

Participatory assessment of development interventions : lessons learned from a new evaluation methodology in Ghana and Burkina Faso / Nicky Pouw, Ton Dietz, Adame Bélemvire ... [et al.]. - In: *American Journal of Evaluation*: (2017), vol. 38, no. 1, 47-59 : tab

Abstract: This article presents the principles and findings of developing a new participatory assessment of development (PADev) evaluation approach that was codesigned with Dutch nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and northern and southern research institutes over a period of 4 years in the context of rural development in Ghana and Burkina Faso. Although participatory approaches in development evaluations have become widely accepted since the 1990s, the PADev approach is different by taking the principles of holism and local knowledge as starting points for its methodological elaboration. The PADev approach is found to have an added value for assessing the differentiated effects of development interventions across different subgroups in a community through intersubjectivity. Moreover, if PADev is taken up by a multitude of stakeholders, including the intended beneficiaries of development interventions and development stakeholders, it can contribute to a process of local history writing, knowledge sharing, capacity development, and providing input into community action plans and the strategies of community-based organizations and NGOs. [Journal abstract]
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1098214016641210> (Restricted access)

Ghana

Managing chieftaincy and ethnic conflicts in Ghana / ed. by Steve Tonah, Alhassan Sulemana Anamzoya - Accra : Woeli publishing services, 2016.

Abstract: This collective volume examines the root causes and trigger factors of social conflicts in Ghana. The focus is on protracted conflicts, that is, conflicts which have defied several attempts to resolve them, dealing with issues of chieftaincy, ethnicity and the often related disagreements over land ownership and control. The volume also addresses the role of governments, state and quasi-state institutions as well as non-state actors in conflict management in Ghana.

Contributions: Introduction: Managing chieftaincy and ethnic conflicts in Ghana (Steve Tonah); 2. Logics of violence among the Dagomba in Northern Ghana (Deborah Pellow); 3. Tracking the peacebuilding approaches in the Bawku chieftaincy conflict: prospects and challenges (Joseph Kingsley Adjei); 4. The National Peace Council and peacebuilding in Ghana (Ken Ahorsu); 5. Chief Braimah I: a Yoruba chief, Muslim leader, trader and mediator in colonial Accra (Samuel Ntewusu, Edward Nanbigne & Moses Nii-Dortey); 6. Multiple plasters don't heal a wound: an assessment of the management of the Bimbilla chieftaincy dispute, Northern Ghana (Alhassan Sulemana Anamzoya & Steve Tonah); 7. Resolution of chieftaincy disputes and reconciliation: a case study of the Effutu traditional area, Winneba (Ahmed Baba Yahaya); 8. End of war, no resolution, no lasting peace: a historical study of attempts at managing and resolving the Nawuri-Gonja conflict (Cletus Kwaku Mbowura); 9. Politics and the management of chieftaincy succession conflict in Central Accra (2006-2012) (Steve Tonah). 10. "A tale of inconclusive encounters": finding a lasting solution to the Mamprusi-Kusasi conflict in Bawku (Felix Y. T. Longi); 11. The complexity of actor-figurations in 'conflict transformation' and 'post-conflict' processes: observations from Northern Ghana and Northern Uganda (Artur Bogner & Dieter Neubert). [ASC Leiden abstract]

Kenya

Climate change, violent conflict and local institutions in Kenya's drylands / Wario R. Adano, Ton Dietz, Karen Witsenburg, and Fred Zaal. - In: *Journal of Peace Research*: (2012), vol. 49, no. 1, 65-80 : graf., krt

Abstract: Many regions that are endowed with scarce natural resources such as arable land and water, and which are remote from a central government, suffer from violence and ethnic strife. A number of studies have looked at the convergence of economic, political and ecological marginality in several African countries. However, there is limited empirical study on the role of violence in pastoral livelihoods across ecological and geographical locations. Yet, case studies focusing on livelihood and poverty issues could inform us about violent behaviour as collective action or as individual decisions, and to what extent such decisions are informed or explained by specific climatic conditions. Several case studies point out that violence is indeed an enacted behaviour, rooted in culture and an accepted form of interaction. This article critically discusses the relevance of geographical and climatic parameters in explaining the connection between poverty and violent conflicts in Kenya's pastoral areas. These issues are considered vis-à-vis the role institutional arrangements play in preventing violent conflict over natural resources from

occurring or getting out of hand. The article uses long-term historical data, archival information and a number of fieldwork sources. The results indicate that the context of violence does not deny its agency in explanation of conflicts, but the institutional set-up may ultimately explain the occurrence of the resource curse. [Journal abstract]
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South Africa

Leadership : perspectives from the front line / ed. by Theo H. Veldsman and Andrew J. Johnson ; [foreword by Adv. Thuli Madonsela] - Randburg : KR Publishing, 2016.

Abstract: With 89 contributors, 56 chapters and featuring a foreword from advocate Thuli Madonsela, this book on business leadership addresses its topic from all kinds of different angles. It offers recent insights from South Africa's business leaders and experts on leadership and provides practical tools for implementation. The book is divided into twelve sections: 1. Setting the scene (introductory chapter by Veldsman and Johnson); 2. Ways of understanding leadership (ten chapters) 3. The unfolding leadership context (twelve chapters); 4. Leadership excellence (two chapters); 5. Branding and profiling leadership relative to the unfolding context (fifteen chapters); 6. Leadership identification, growth and development (six chapters); 7. Leadership dynamics and transitions (three chapters); 8. Leadership wellbeing (three chapters); 9. Leadership outcomes and impact (one chapter) 10. Leadership stories (one chapter with contributions by fifteen business leaders) 11. A leadership lament (one chapter) 12. Looking ahead: the future of leadership (one chapter). [ASC Leiden abstract]