Centre of African Studies Seminars, Lent 2013
West Africa Research Series

Monday 14 January at 5pm
Richard Fardon, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London
Displaying the arts of the Benue River Valley, Nigeria

Monday 21 January at 5pm
David Zeitlyn, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Oxford
One hundred years of change in Mambila religion (Cameroon)

Monday 28 January at 5pm
Camille Lefebvre, Centre d'Études des Mondes Africains, Université Paris - I Panthéon-Sorbonne
Colonial boundary making and local communities in the Niger-Nigeria borderland

Monday 4 February at 5pm
Judith Scheele, All Souls College, University of Oxford
Northern Chad: anarchy and social cohesion, or neither?

Monday 11 February at 5pm
Etienne Smith, Sciences Po, Paris
Joking relationships in West Africa (Senegal): from scientific canonisation to political instrumentalisations

Monday 18 February at 5pm
Michaela Pelican, Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology, University of Cologne
From ‘strangers’ to an ‘indigenous people’: the case of the Mbororo in Cameroon

Monday 25 February at 5pm
Baz Lecocq, Department of History, Ghent University
Mali-Azawad: history, present, immediate future

Tuesday 26 February at 5pm, as part of the History and Anthropology Seminar series**
Murray Last, Emeritus Professor, Department of Anthropology, University College London
Traditions of dissent in northern Nigeria—and the peculiar power of a ‘green-field’ jihad
** This seminar is in Room SG2. All welcome, but the paper is pre-circulated and attendees are expected to read it before the seminar. Please contact centre@african.cam.ac.uk to obtain a copy. **

Monday 4 March at 5pm
Kevin MacDonald, Institute of Archaeology, University College London
Segou Fanga – Tamani Kafu: towards an archaeology of Mande political tradition (AD 1200-1850)

Monday 11 March at 5pm
Philip Jaggar, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London
Methodological approaches to the ‘classification’ of African languages: ‘good science’ vs ‘bad science'

Seminars are held in Seminar Room S1*, Alison Richard Building, 7 West Road, Cambridge CB3 9DT
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