

**European Librarians' Day on Africana Collections,
(Tuesday, 10 July 2007)**

Venue: African Studies Centre, Leiden, The Netherlands

Programme

9.00 Coffee and registration

9.30 Welcome and introduction to the programme (ASC Leiden & SCOLMA)

9.45 Panel: Colonial Legacies and European Libraries and Archives

- Stephen Ellis (African Studies Centre, Leiden)
- Holger Bernt Hansen (University of Copenhagen and chair, Danida)

11.15 Coffee & tea

11.45 Country presentations (10 minutes each)

- Overviews (one per country) on the present state of Africana collections and librarianship
- The presentations may cover:
 - the main collections: what is held, what is actively being collected, what is the collection budget
 - the audience
 - experiences of academics and other users
 - existing links / partnerships within the country and internationally
 - connections with museums, archives etc.
 - website, repositories, electronic media and digitisation
 - recent activities

13.00 Lunch

14.00 Country presentations (continued)

15.30 Coffee & tea

16.00 Discussion

- Opening remarks: Peter Limb, Chair, US Africana Librarians' Council, on the experience of the ALC (to be confirmed)
- What are the issues that concern us all?
- How can we work together in the near future?
- Should we establish a formal or informal Europe-wide network of Africana librarians?
- What are the effects of digitisation on our work? Can we work together to cover electronic resources as best as possible?

17.30 Close

Registration for the **European Librarians Day**: email to Marlene van Doorn (doorn@ascleiden.nl with mention of: European Librarians Day)
Registration is valid after transfer of EUR 30 to accountnr. 45.17.29.404 of Afrika-Studiecentrum, PO Box, 9555, 2300 RB Leiden, The Netherlands (ABN-AMRO Bank, Leiden) before 15 June 2007.

BIC-code: (Bank Identification Code) ABNANL2A
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Note: Participants from outside the Euro zone should register in advance but may pay on arrival if desired.

Location: African Studies Centre, Building: Faculty of Social Sciences at Leiden University, Wassenaarseweg 52, Room 5 A37, NL-2333 AK Leiden, The Netherlands.

Map via <http://www.ascleiden.nl/About/Directions.aspx>

Leiden Hotels: <http://www.leidencongresstad.nl/hotels.html>

The European Librarians' Day is organized by SCOLMA, the UK Standing Conference on Library Materials on Africa, and the African Studies Centre, Leiden.

The European Librarians' Day is associated with the second European Conference on African Studies (ECAS), Wed. 11 - Sat. 14 July 2007.
Theme: *African Alternatives, Initiative and Creativity beyond Current Constraints*.
Keynote speakers: Mr. Moeletsi Mbeki (South African Institute of International Affairs); Prof. Peter Geschiere (Amsterdam). Meet the author: Prof. Dick Werbner on his book *Reasonable Radicals*.

Separate registration for this conference (EUR 155) via <http://ecas2007.aegis-eu.org>

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