

Programme

10:00-10:15: Introduction and Welcome

- Daniel Schaer Ambassador at Large for Africa, Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

10:15-11:30: Africa's International Relations: Shifting Geopolitical Dynamics and New Opportunities in Kenya, East Africa

- Dr. Wanjiku Wacieni Kaniaru, Strathmore University, School of Humanities and Social Sciences

11:30-11:45: Coffee break

11:45-13:00: Africa in a changing world

- This lecture will provide a quick overview of the impact on Africa of global changes ('Trumpian chaos') as well as an overview of African flashpoints (Sahel, Horn, Sudan, DRC). It will look at South Africa under a coalition government - who are the key decision-makers? What are the big (domestic and foreign policy) issues? What are the medium to long-term prospects for stability and growth?
- Dr. Anthoni Van Nieuwkerk, Professor of International and Diplomacy Studies from Thabo Mbeki African School of Public and International Affairs, University of South Africa,

13:00-13:30, Lunch and coffee break

13:30-14:45: Understanding The Blue Economy: Prospects And Challenges For Gulf Of Guinea States

- Dr. Frederick Boamah, Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy, University of Ghana

14:45-16:00 Panel discussion: Opportunities and challenges for Estonian engagement in Africa

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- *Moderator:* Matthew Crandall, Associate Professor of International Relations, Tallinn University