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EDUCATION

Schools Attended

2010 – 2013: PhD: African Studies Centre, Leiden/University of Leiden, The Netherlands – Research Topic: *Bridging Mobilities: ICTs Appropriation by Cameroonians in South Africa and The Netherlands*

2007 – 2009: Mphil: Development/African Studies, University of Leiden, The Netherlands – Research Topic: *“We Get Nothing from Fishing” Fishing for Boat Opportunities amongst Senegalese Fisher Migrants*

2002 – 2004: University of South Africa (UNISA)

1996 –1998: Higher Teacher’s Training College, Yaoundé, Cameroon

1990 – 1994: University of Yaoundé I, Cameroon

1988 – 1990: Cameroon Protestant College (High school), Bali

1982 – 1987: First Cycle CCAST (Secondary school), Bambili, Cameroon

1975 – 1982: St Theresia Catholic Primary School Small Mankon, Bamenda, Cameroon

Certificates

- PhD: University of Leiden/ African Studies Centre, 2013
- MPhil Development/African Studies, University of Leiden/African Studies Centre 2009
- Completed a Diploma Programme on ‘Youth and Development’ by correspondence with the University of South Africa (UNISA), Pretoria, South Africa: 2004 (Diploma issued with distinction)
- Post Graduate Diploma in Education: 1998
- Bachelor of Arts (BA) Modern Letters & African Literature: 1994
- General Certificate of Education (GCE A/L): 1990
- General Certificate of Education (GCE O/L): 1987
- First School Leaving Certificate (FSLC) : 1982

Work

- March 2024 – Present: Researcher and Lecturer, University of Cape Town (Part time).
- June 2020 - February 2024 Researcher Migration, Inequality and Development Hub, Department of Sociology (www.mideq.org). University of Cape Town
- 2017 – 2019 Lecturer, Environmental and Geographical Science, University of Cape Town
- February 2016 – December 2016: Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Environmental and Geographical Science, University of Cape Town
- February 2014 – December 2016: Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town
- 2012 Teaching Assistant: Leiden University, Undergraduate programme on research methods.
- October 2005- July 2007 – Lecturer: English at Institute Jeanne D’Arc Dakar- Senegal
- January 2001 – August 2003 - English Language and French Teacher: Phakalane School Gaborone, Botswana.
- November 1999 – June 2000 Teacher: English Language & English Literature at Government High School Buea, Cameroon.

Teaching Experience

- 2024 – Ife Institute of Advanced Study (IIAS) Summer School – *Developing and Applying Interdisciplinary Research Methods through the framework of Incompleteness and convivial scholarship*. University of Ile Ife, Nigeria July 25-26.
- 2024 – (SOC 4040/5040) – Postgraduate level second semester) Globalisation and Mobilities.
- 2023 – (SOC 4040/5040) – Postgraduate level second semester) Globalisation and Mobilities
- 2020 – Course convenor (EGS 4041/5041) – Postgraduate level second semester) Mobilities, migration and transnationalism.
- 2019 – Gave a two-week series of lectures to visiting students of Princeton University on Inter-cultural studies: Home-away-from-home: Interdependence and conviviality among Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town through food and hometown associations
- 2018 – EGS 3022S: GEOGRAPHIC THOUGHT (second semester undergraduate: Teaching the section on Political Ecology)
- 2018 – Course convenor (EGS 4041/5041 – Postgraduate level first semester) Mobilities, migration and transnationalism
- 2017 – Course convenor (EGS 4040/5040 – Postgraduate level) Mobilities, migration and transnationalism.
- 2016 – Invited to give a lecture on Gender, Religion and the politics of sexualities at Princeton Theological Seminary, November 7.
- 2016 – Invited to teach a course on Religion and Migration at Humboldt University Summer school, June 7-11.
- 2015 – (Undergraduate) Lecturing on Mobility and Identity at Department of Environmental and Geographical Science, University of Cape Town.
- 2014-2015 Lecture in EGS Honours research programme: proposal development, fieldwork and methodological support and conference paper giving skills.
- 2012 Tutor undergraduate programme on research methods in Leiden University.
- October 2005- July 2007 - Taught English at Institute Jeanne D’Arc Dakar-Senegal
- January 2001 – August 2003 - Taught English Language and French at Phakalane School Gaborone, Botswana.

- March 2000 – Invited participant at Macmillan sponsored workshop on the Localisation of English Language and Africanization of English textbooks.
- November 1999 – June 2000 Taught English Language & English Literature at Government High School Buea, Cameroon.
- 1999: May Invited participant to a BBC sponsored workshop on the teaching of English as a second Language to Francophones
- 1998: January – March Internship; teaching English as a second language to at Government High School Elig-Esso, Yaoundé
- 1997: January – March Internship; teaching English as a second language to at Government High School Elig-Esso, Yaoundé.

Supervision of Honours and Master's thesis

- 2024 – 2025 – Master - Shantell Gavhure: The Lived Experiences and Adaptation Strategies of Zimbabwean Migrants in Muizenberg, Cape Town.
- 2023-2024 – Master – Tariro: The Rise of Immigrant and Citizen Tensions as a result of Social Media in South Africa (University of Cape Town).
- 2021 – Honours – Haggai Simon Kasule (co-supervised with Prof. Andrew Tucker) – Healthcare and healthcare access and utilisation: Challenges and opportunities among asylum seekers and refugees in Cape Town, South Africa
- 2020-2021 – Master – Ann Wambui Kigamba (KMANN002 – University of Cape Town) – Addressing food insecurity challenges among refugees and asylum seekers in Cape Town.
- 2019 – Honours – Priyanka Niak (University of Cape Town) – Working between Home and Here: Zimbabwean migrants' experiences in Cape Town.
- 2019 – Honours – Tinovonga Chimuka (University of Cape Town) – Navigating the urban everyday lives of Zimbabwean Female migrants in Cape Town, South Africa.
- 2018-2019 – Research Masters – Israel Ogundare Olawale (University of Cape Town) – Glo-calised Sameness: The Unveiling of Migrants' 'Architecture of Enjoyment' in Windsor East & West of Johannesburg.
- 2018 – Honours – Aisha Wanjiru Mugo (University of Cape Town) – “In Search of Hope: Networking, Trajectories and Embodied Experiences of

Kenyan and Ethiopian Migrant Women to Cape Town” – passed with distinction.

- 2017 – Masters’ thesis – Gerylaine Campos (University of Amsterdam) – “Hiding to Belong: A Study of Meaningful Inclusion for African Migrant Women in South Africa” – passed with distinction.
- 2015 – Honours thesis – Yanna Romano (University of Cape Town) – “Articulating “Malawian-ness”: Migrant maids in Cape Town” – passed in second class upper.

Research

- 2024.... Researcher Mobilities and Migration Hub, University of Cape Town
- 2020- 2024: Full-time Researcher Migration, Inequality and Development Hub, Department of Sociology (www.mideq.org). Focus – Childhood Migration and Inequality between Ethiopia and South Africa.
- Research with Prof. Heaven Crawley on Using Justice Chain Analysis to understanding lack of documentation among Ethiopian children. Outputs: United Nations University Centre for Policy Research (UNU-CPR) **Research Report** – Unlocking the Justice Chains: Pathways to Documentation for Ethiopian Children in South Africa.

Journal article: Pathways to justice for undocumented children in South Africa. *Migration and Society*

- Project Adviser on three Templeton Grants on “Engaging African Realities: Integrating Social Science within African Theology” initiative awarded by Nagel Institute for the Study of World Christianity, Calvin University, Michigan.

Projects

- Nollywood and Evangelical Films: Exploring Nigerian Cinema in relation to African Traditional Histories, Values and Spirituality, University of Lagos, Nigeria.

- Exploring Semiotic Dimensions and Symbolic Expressions of Indigenous Spiritualities and Values within the Context of African Christianity, Ghana.
- An Eco-Theology of Fisheries Management: An Ethnographic Investigation of the Religious Dimensions of Small-Scale Fishery Practices on the West Coast of South Africa.

Research Grants Received

- 2023-2024 “Programme Point Sud”, funded by Goethe-University of Frankfurt/Main and the German Research Foundation (DFG) **Project:** Childhood mobilities and migration: Transitions to adulthood in South-South migration contexts (*Based on this funding, I have concluded a five-day symposium in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso 12-16 November 2024*).
- 2019 Swiss Sub-Saharan Africa Migration (S-SAM), grant Sponsored by University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland. Project: *Ambitions of Bushfalling through the Prism of further education: Ethnographic insights with Student from Cameroonian Universities.*
- 2018 Swiss Sub-Saharan Africa Migration (S-SAM), grant Sponsored by University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland. Project: *Pilgrims’ Progress: Negotiating bushfalling among Anglophone Cameroonian youth.*
- 2018 John Templeton Foundation grant (Grant ID: 2018-TH500), sponsored by Calvin College’s Nagel Institute. Project: Analysing the health and healing practices of African Pentecostals in Africa and the Diaspora’ (A collaboration with colleagues from University of Liverpool, UK and Kyambogo University, Uganda).
- 2018 John Templeton Foundation grant (Grant ID: 2018-TH530), sponsored by Calvin College’s Nagel Institute. Project: Innovating from Conflict: Xenophobia and the re-imagination of evangelization amongst migrant dominated churches in South Africa. (A collaboration with colleagues from University of the Western Cape and University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg)
- 2016/2017 African Humanities Program (AHP) of the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) grant – African Humanities

Program Postdoctoral Fellowship. Project: *Religious Transnationalism and the quest for physical and Spiritual healing: The case of Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town*.

- 2016 John Templeton Foundation grant (Grant ID: 2016-SS150), sponsored by Calvin College's Nagel Institute. Project: '*Propelled by the Spirit: Pentecostalism, Innovation and Competition in Kenya, South Africa and Zimbabwe*.' (A collaboration with colleagues from Kisumu University, Kenya & University of Zimbabwe).
- 2015 International Association for the History of Religion African Trust Fund: Project – '*Religious Transnationalism and the quest for emotional and physical healing: The case of Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town*'. (Funds geared towards preliminary research on proposal development)
- 2015-2016 University of Cape Town University Research Council (URC) Fund: Project (Postdoctoral research) – *Urban mobilities and the everyday lives among Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town*

Publications

Scholarly Books

- *Bridging Mobilities: ICTs Appropriation by Cameroonians in South Africa and The Netherlands* (2014), Bamenda/Leiden: Langaa RPCIG/African Studies Centre (ISBN: 978-9956791514). 318 pages
- "*We Get Nothing from Fishing*" *Fishing for Boat Opportunities Amongst Senegalese Fisher Migrants* (2010), Bamenda/Leiden: Langaa RPCIG/African Studies Centre. (ISBN: 978-9956616312). 232 pages

Articles: Peer Review Journals

- Henrietta, Nyamnjoh Erdmute Alber and Gabriel Sangli. (2024). Childhood Journeys: Unveiling the Complexities of Child Migration. A Look at the International Symposium on Child Mobility and Migration. Pan African Vision, 27 December 2024. <https://panafricanvisions.com/2024/12/childhood-journeys-unveiling-the->

[complexities-of-child-migrationa-look-at-the-international-symposium-on-child-mobility-and-migration/](#)

- Henrietta Nyamnjoh (2024). ‘I wish I had listened and not come to South Africa’: fantasies, expectations and trajectories of migration among Ethiopian unaccompanied child migrants into South Africa, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/1369183X.2024.2381703>
- Seaman MacKenzie and Henrietta Nyamnjoh (2023). More expectations, less rights: Experiences of Ethiopian migrant children in South Africa. *Peripheries* 8: 25-31.
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta, Suzanne Hall, and Liza Rose Cirolia (2022). Precarity, Permits, and Prayers: “Working Practices” of Congolese Asylum-Seeking Women in Cape Town. *Africa Spectrum* 57(1): 30–49. <https://doi.org/10.1177/00020397211050077>
- Cirolia R. Liza, Suzanne Hall, and Henrietta Nyamnjoh. (2022). Remittance micro- worlds and migrant infrastructure: Circulations, disruptions, and the movement of money. *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 47 (1):63-76. <https://doi.org/10.1111/tran.12467>.
- Netshikulwe, Azwi, Henrietta Nyamnjoh, & Faisal Garba. (2022). Pushed to the Margins: Ethiopian Migrants in South Africa. *Zanj: The Journal of Critical Global South Studies*, 5(1&2): 76-92. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/48676307>
- Hall Suzanne, Henrietta Nyamnjoh and Liza Rose Cirolia (2022). Apportioned city: Gendered delineations of asylum, work, and violence in Cape Town. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*. 40 (1): 3-20. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02637758211048199>
- Nyamnjoh Henrietta (2021a). World Christianity: Toward a Visual Turn. *The Journal of World Christianity* 11(2): 225-44. <https://doi.org/10.5325/jworlchri.11.2.0225>
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta. (2021b). Ambitions of Bushfalling through Further Education: Insights from Students in Cameroonian Universities. *Social Inclusion* 9 (1): 196–206. <https://doi.org/10.17645/si.v9i1.3718>

- Wabyanga, K. Robert, Henrietta Nyamnjoh and Abel Ugba. (2021) Innovation or Competition? A Critical Analysis of Contemporary Divine Healing Practices of Pentecostal Africans in Africa and the Diaspora. *International Bulletin of Mission Research* 45(2): 177–185. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F2396939320961102>
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta (2021c). [Drawing Lessons from COVID-19 to Migration Management](https://nccr-onthemove.ch/blog/drawing-lessons-from-covid-19-to-migration-management/21.01.2021) <https://nccr-onthemove.ch/blog/drawing-lessons-from-covid-19-to-migration-management/21.01.2021> (National Center of Competence in Research – The Migration-Mobility Nexus)
- Swart Ignatius, Elina Hankela, and Henrietta Nyamnjoh. (2020). Language Practices as Religious Innovation: The Case of Pentecostal Charismatic Churches in Xenophobic Contexts. *International Bulletin of Mission Research* 45(2): 167–176 <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F2396939320951560>
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta. (2020). Entrepreneurialism and innovation among Cameroonian street vendors in Cape Town, *African Identities*, 18 (3):1-18. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14725843.2020.1777085>
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta. (2019) “When are you going to change those stones to phones”? Appropriation of Social Media by Pentecostal churches in Cape Town. *Journal for the Study of the Religions of Africa and its Diaspora*, 5 (1): 122-142.
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta. (2018a). The Materiality of Pentecostal Religious Healing: The Case of Cameroonian Migrants in Cape Town. *Alternation* 22: 35 – 56. DOI <https://doi.org/10.29086/2519-5476/2018/sp22a3>
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta. (2018b), Food, Memory and Transnational Gastronomic Culture amongst Cameroonian Migrants in Cape Town, South Africa. *Anthropology Southern Africa*, 41 (1): 25-40 <https://doi.org/10.1080/23323256.2018.1442728>
- Nyamnjoh, M. H. (2017). Navigating ‘ngunda’/ ‘adoro’ and Negotiating Economic Uncertainty Amongst Mobile Cameroonian Migrants in Cape Town (South Africa), *Critical African Studies*, 9:2, 241-260. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21681392.2017.1340846>
- Chitando Ezra, Henrietta Nyamnjoh, and Damaris Parsitau. 2017. ‘Citizens of both Heaven and Earth’: Pentecostalism and Social Transformation in

South Africa, Zimbabwe and Kenya. *Alternation*, Special Edition 19: 232 – 251. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.29086/2519-5476/2017/sp19a11>

- Nyamnjoh, H. M 2014. Intimate Ethnographic Encounters in a Mobile Community: Expressing the Notion of Belonging through 'Life Crisis' Performances amongst Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town, South Africa. *Journal of Social Development in Africa*, 29(1):133-156.
- Nyamnjoh, H. and Michael, Rowlands. 2013. “Do you eat achu here?” Nurturing as a way of life in a Cameroon Diaspora, *Critical African Studies* 5(3): 140-152. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21681392.2013.837703>

Scholarly Book Chapters

- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta Mackenzie Seaman, and Meron Zeleke (2024). South–South Migration and Children’s Education: Expanded Challenges and Increased Opportunities. In Crawley, Heaven, and Joseph K. Teye (eds). *The Palgrave Handbook of South–South Migration and Inequality*. Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan, P. 543-565.
- Gampiot M. Aurélien and Henrietta Nyamnjoh (2024) Central Africa. In Afe Adogame, Chad M. Bauman, Jeaney Yip and Damaris Seleina Parsitau (eds). *The Routledge Handbook of Megachurches*. London & New York: Routledge, P. 57-70.
- Nyamnjoh, H. (2024) “I know that God is my own doctor!” Mobility in search of divine healing among Cameroonian female migrants in Cape Town, South Africa. *Journal of Religion in Africa*. In. Chitando Ezra, Lovemore Togarasei and Loreen Maseno (eds). *The African Pentecostalism in African Perspectives*. Switzerland: Palgrave, P. 39-68.
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta. (2021). Using ICTs to be here and not here: African Migrants and Religious Transnationalism. In McAuliffe, Marie (ed). *Research Handbook on International Migration and Digital Technology*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing Limited. P. 194-206.
- Nyamnjoh, Henrietta and Andrea Belier, (2020). Diaconia and Vulnerability – Diaconia and the Cross. In. Ampony, Godwin, Martin Büscher, Beate Hofmann, Félicité Ngnintedem, Dennis Solon and Dietrich Werner (eds). *International Handbook on Ecumenical Diakonia: Contextual*

Theologies of Daconia and Christian social services. Oxford: Regnum, P.73-80.

- Henrietta M. Nyamnjoh (2019a). Globalized Healing and Evangelism: The Quest for Health and Healing among Cameroonian Migrants in Cape Town (South Africa). In. Bieler Andrea, Isolde Karl, HyeRan Kim-Cragg, and Ilona Nord (Eds.). Religion and Migration: Negotiating Hospitality, Agency and Vulnerability. Leipzig: EVANGELISCHE VERLAGSANSTALT, P. 183-201.
- Nyamnjoh, H. (2019b). “Speak to me Lord”: Seeking God’s intervention in times of duress among Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town. In. Afe Adogame, Raimundo Barreto and Wanderley P. da Rosa (eds.) *Migration and Public Discourse in World Christianity*, Augsburg Fortress Publishers / Editora Unida. P. 151-176.
- Hunter-Adams Jo, Tackson Makandwa, Stephen A. Matthews, Henrietta Nyamnjoh, Tolu Oni, and Jo Vearey 2018. Connecting the Dots: Cultivating a Sustainable Interdisciplinary Discourse around Migration, Urbanisation, and Health in Southern Africa. In. Winchester, S. Margaret, Caprice A. Knapp and Rhonda BeLue (eds). Global Health Collaboration Challenges and Lessons. Switzerland: Springer International Publishing AG, P. 9-20.
- Nyamnjoh, H. 2016. ‘Belonging away from Home: Building Community and Virtual Intimacies amongst Frontier Pinyin Migrants in Cape Town and Cameroon’. In Nyamnjoh, F. and I. Brudvig, eds. Mobilities, ICTs and Marginality in Africa: Comparative perspective. Cape Town and Dakar: HSRC and CODESRIA, pp. 138-151.
- Nyamnjoh, H. 2014. ‘Penetrating the Unseen’: The Role of Religion and Spiritual Practices in the Senegalese Boat Migration Process. In A. Adogame, ed. *Imagining the Religious 'Other': The Public Face of African New Religious Movements in Diaspora*. London: Ashgate, pp. 191-214.
- Nyamnjoh, H. 2013. Information and Communication Technology and its impact on Transnational Migration: The case of Senegalese Boat Migrants. In De Bruijn, M., I. Brinkman, & F. Nyamnjoh, eds. *Side @ Ways: Mobile Margins and the Dynamics in Africa*. Bamenda/Leiden: Langaa RPCIG/African Studies Centre, pp. 159-177.

Conference/symposium participation & presentations

- Childhood mobilities and migration: Transitions to adulthood in South-South migration contexts. November 12-16, 2024, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso (Convener – under the grant “Programme Point Sud”, funded by Goethe-University of Frankfurt/Main and the German Research Foundation). Paper presented: *Lost in the madding crowd: Accelerated adulthood of Ethiopian migrant children in South Africa*.
- International, Interdisciplinary Conference organized by The World Christianity & History of Religions Program Department of History & Ecumenics Princeton. March 11–15, 2024, Accra Ghana. Paper Presented: Beyond Religious healing: Transnationalism and the quest for spiritual wellness and healing among Cameroonian Female migrants in Cape Town (*Panel convener*).
- African Humanities Association Conference, 26th to 29th November 2023. University of Cape Town, South Africa. Paper presented: *Migration and Arts: Interdisciplinary conversations between migration studies and art* (*Panel convener*).
- Migration for Development and Inequality (MIDEQ) Research Symposium at Rio De Janeiro, Brazil 18 – 24 September 2023. Speaker at different plenary sessions:
 - 1). Plenary 2 – Making a difference: the impact of MIDEQ’s work. Paper presented – *Documentation and legal empowerment in South Africa*.
 - 2). Plenary 3 – MIDEQ’s Impact Interventions – Presentation: *Making a difference: the impact of MIDEQ’s work in the lives of Ethiopian migrants in the Eastern and Wern Cape, South Africa*.
 - 3). RoundTable: Methodological reflections. Paper presented – *Grounded Methodology and Digital Ethnography: New Insights from Researching Ethiopian Irregular Migrants*
- **Invited Keynote speaker** at the International Sociological Association; World Congress of Sociology – RC22 - Sociology of Religion at Melbourne, Australia June 25 – July 1, 2023. Paper presented: Stoking the Flames of Faith: The Challenge of Keeping Religiosity Activated in COVID-19 and Post COVID-19 Times.

- Invited speaker at the Symposium on African Migration, Mobility and Displacement, Accra, Ghana 15-18 March 2023. Paper presented: Visibility, invisibility and straddling their Ethiopian and South African Identities: Trajectories of Ethiopian children in South Africa
- Invited speaker at the Regional Conference on Migration for Development and Equality, University of Ghana, Legon 11-14 March 2023. Paper presented: Access denied: The inability of education to unlocking the potentials of Ethiopian migrant children in South Africa.
- 4th Biannual conference of the African studies association of Africa 11–16 April 2022. University of Cape Town, South Africa. Paper presented: Lost in the madding crowd: Accelerated adulthood of Ethiopian migrant children in South Africa (*Panel Convener*).
- Migration for Development and Inequality (MIDEQ) Research Symposium 5th – 9th September 2022 Godavari Village Resort, Kathmandu, Nepal. Paper presented: “I wish I had listened and not come to South Africa”: Fantasies, expectations and trajectories of migration among Ethiopian unaccompanied child migrants into South Africa
- African Studies Association (ASA) Conference, 17th - 19th November 2022, Philadelphia, USA. Paper presented: “I thought I belonged, but I was abandoned to myself”: Truncated belonging in times of marital crisis among the Ethiopian female migrants in South Africa.
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR) Conference, 11th – 13th November 2022, Baltimore, Maryland. Paper presented: *Precarity, Permits, and Prayers: “Working Practices” of Congolese Asylum-Seeking Women in Cape Town.*
- 'Migrant belongings: Digital practices and the everyday'. Utrecht University from 22-24 April 2021. Paper presented: *Belonging in simultaneous multiplicities: The role of WhatsApp Social Media in fostering belonging and creating virtual intimacies among alumni-alma maters.* (Online)
- 3rd International, Interdisciplinary virtual Conference organized by The World Christianity & History of Religions Program Department of History & Ecumenics Princeton. March 3–6, 2021. Paper Presented: *Reconstruction and Development Program (RDP) of the Soul: The role of the churches in seeking a moral agenda for South Africa.* (Online)

- African Theological Advance 1 - 6 March 2020 Kigali, Rwanda. Paper presented: *Standing their Ground and Stepping Over: A Critical Analysis of the Contemporary Divine Healing Practices of Pentecostal Africans in Africa and the Diaspora.*
- The eleventh international and interdisciplinary Research Network on Global Pentecostalism (GloPent.net) 14–15 February 2020 at the University of Basel. Paper presented: “*When Are You Going to Change Those Stones to Phones?*” *Social Media Appropriation by Pentecostal Church in Cape Town.*
- Local narratives and debates on the experience of migration and return, 2-6 October 2019 Bamako, Mali. Paper presented: *The elusive quest for greener pastures: Insides from Cameroonian Bushfallers and Senegalese Modou-modou.*
- Neuchâtel Graduate Conference of Migration and Mobility Studies, 12 – 13 September 2019 University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland. Paper presented: *Pilgrims’ Progress: Negotiating Bushfalling to Europe and South Africa among Cameroonians youth.*
- Invited speaker: Princeton Theological Seminary Fifth History and Ecumenics colloquium, Princeton, USA 12 March 2019. Paper presented: *Globalized Healing and Evangelism: The Quest for Health and Healing among Cameroonian Migrants in Cape Town (South Africa).*
- 2nd International, Interdisciplinary Conference *organized by* The World Christianity & History of Religions Program *Department of History & Ecumenics*, Princeton, USA 15-18 March 2019. Paper presented: *World Christianity: Towards a visual turn.*
- 15th CODESRIA General Assembly, Theme: Africa and the Crisis of Globalisation – 17-21 December 2018, Dakar, Senegal. Paper presented: *Globalization of evangelism and health seeking Africans: The case of Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town, South Africa.*
- Invited speaker: Wits Anthropology Seminar series, University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa 24 October 2018. Paper presented: *Mobility and transnational urbanism: Negotiating and navigating the everyday life among African migrants in Cape Town, South Africa.*

- Invited speaker: Conference on Current Migration and Religion: A Transnational Discourse, 28-30 June 2018 Kaiseraugst/Basel, Switzerland. Paper presented: *"Look Yahweh, I am in distress!": Mobility in search of divine healing among Cameroonian female migrants in Cape Town, South Africa.*
- African Centre for Cities @10 Conference: Urbanism from an African Perspective: 2-4 February 2018. Paper presented *"Mobility and transnational urbanism: Negotiating and navigating the everyday life among African migrants in Cape Town, South Africa"*.
- African Studies Association conference, 16-18 November 2017 Chicago, USA, invited as a Presidential fellow. Paper presented *Racial Discrimination, Stigmatisation and Xenophobia: Experiences of Cameroonian Migrants Seeking Healthcare in Cape Town and Johannesburg, South Africa (SA).*
- Christianity and Social change in Contemporary Africa, 5-12 March 2017 Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire. Paper Presented: *"When are you going to change those stones to phones"? Appropriation of social media by Pentecostal churches in Cape Town.*
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Conference, 28-30 October 2016, Atlanta, USA. Paper presented: *Ambassadors for Jesus: Gender and youth agency within competitive Pentecostal landscape in Cape Town.*
- A conference on 'Research issues in contexts of proximity', 6 – 12 October 2016, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. Paper presented: *Negotiating distance and proximity: Doing multi-spatial fieldwork and 'going native'*
- The Southern African City Studies Conference, 17-19 March 2016, Durban, South Africa. Paper presented: *Migrants' Informal Economy and the changing dynamics: The case of Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town*
- Invited presenter: Conference on 'Making a better life: training, work and mobility of youth in West and Central Africa', 2 – 8 March 2016, Bamako, Mali. Paper presented: *Migrants' Informal Economy and the changing dynamics amongst Cameroonian youth in Cape Town*
- A symposium on 'Migration, Urbanisation and Health in Southern Africa: An Interdisciplinary Conversation', 27-29 July 2015 at University of Witwatersrand organised by PENNSTATE University, University of Cape

Town and African Centre for Migration and Society. Paper presented: *Racial Discrimination/Prejudice, Stigmatisation and Xenophobia: Experiences of Cameroonian Migrants Seeking Healthcare in Cape Town and Johannesburg, South Africa (SA).*

- 14th CODESRIA General Assembly, Theme: Building on 40 Years of Research and Knowledge Production for Africa – 8-12 June 2015, Dakar, Senegal. Paper presented: *Belonging away from Home: Building Community and Virtual Intimacies amongst Frontier Pinyin Migrants in Cape Town and Cameroon*
- A symposium on African Mobilities and the Postcolonial border-regime funded by the Programme *Point Sud*/The German Research Fund (*Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft*) and organized by Professor Heidrun Frieze (TU Chemnitz), Professor Ibrahima Thioub (l'Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar) and Dr. Judith Albrecht (TU Chemnitz) 10-12 April 2015. Paper presented via Skype: *Fortress Europe and towards a fortress South Africa: Mobility control and Governance in the era of advanced communication technologies and heightened migrant networks.*
- Invited Presenter: Symposium on Families and the State: National, International and Transnational Perspectives organised by Centre for Social Science Research (CSSR), University of Cape Town and TCRA-SAN, Maastricht University 26-27 March 2015. Paper presented: *From Transcending transnational transaction and material accumulation to negotiating emotional transnationalism amongst Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town* (Revised version)
- A symposium on Violence Against Women and Children in Diverse Contexts organised by African Centre for Migration and Society, University of Witwatersrand, University of Central Lancashire, and The British Council. 3-6 March 2015 Johannesburg, South Africa. Paper presented: *The Transnationality of emotional violence amongst Cameroonian female migrants in Cape Town.*
- A Symposium on Conspicuous Consumption in Africa organised by Institute for Humanities in Africa, University of Cape Town. 3-6 December 2014. Presented a paper titled: *“This Christmas I go ‘touch’ some fufu and eru”: Food, memory and transnational gastronomic culture amongst Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town and The Hague*

- A colloquium on Vital Instability: Ontological Insecurity in African Urban Spaces. University of Witwatersrand, 15-17 October 2014. Presented a paper titled: *Navigating 'ngunda'/'adoro' and negotiating economic uncertainty amongst Mobile Cameroonian migrants in Cape Town (South Africa) and The Hague (The Netherlands)*
- Mobile Africa Revisited: Control and Navigation: People Searching to Reach their Goals in an Ever More (In) Flexible World; 14 & 15 February 2013: Leiden – The Netherlands. Presented a paper titled: *From Transcending transnational transaction and material accumulation to negotiating emotional transnationalism.*
- 'Africa Works! 21st Century Trends'. Panel: Innovation and Technology. Zeist, The Netherlands, 29-30 October 2012.
- Invited speaker: Religious Studies Seminar Series – presented a paper titled: 'Penetrating the unseen': *The Role of Religion and Spiritual Practices in the Boat Migration Process* (Revised copy) 31 October 2012: School of Divinity, The University of Edinburgh
- CAS@50: Cutting Edges and Retrospectives. Panel: The vitality and efficacy of human substance. Centre of African Studies (CAS) in Edinburgh. Presented a joint paper with Prof. Michael Rowlands titled: *'Do you eat Achu here'? Feeding, Nurturing and Poisoning in Grassfields Cameroon;* 6-8 June 2012: Edinburgh – Scotland.
- 13th CODESERIA General Assembly; 5-9/12/2011: Rabat – Morocco. Presented a paper titled: *The Role of Religion and Spiritual Practices in the Senegalese Boat Migration Process*

Workshops

- Organized a one-day workshop – 27 February 2020 – with support from the Leverhulme Trust, in conjunction with London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), African Centre for Cities (ACC), University of Cape Town and Socio-economic Rights Institution of South Africa (SERI) on: *Migration, the Right to Work and Evidence: What counts in violent times?*

- Workshop of the Swiss-Sub-Saharan African Migration Network at Swiss Forum for Migration and Population Studies, University of Neuchâtel, 7-8 November 2019. Paper presented: *Ambitions of Bushfalling through the prism of further education: Ethnographic insights from conversations with students in Cameroonian Universities.*
- ACC Co-coordinator: Academy of African Urban Diversity 2015 - 2018: Workshop on joint collaboration in the field of Graduate Training in African Urban and Diversity Studies between the universities of Cape Town, through the African Centre for Cities (ACC, that I represented), Witwatersrand, through the Faculty of Humanities, African Centre for Migration and Society (ACMS) and Max-Planck-Institut zur Erforschung multireligiöser und multiethnischer, Göttingen, Germany (MPI MMG), Johannesburg 6-10 November 2017.
- Invited presenter: Workshop on ‘Researching and Writing Culture and Society in Bayreuth’, 24 – 28 October 2017, Bayreuth International Graduate School of African Studies, Germany. Paper presented: *Doing Ethnographic research in the android and iCloud age: What would Malinkwoski say?*
- Attended a workshop on “Christianity and Social Change in Contemporary Africa”, Cape Town 7-18, March 2016 for grants recipients sponsored by Calvin College’s Nagel Institute and funded by the John Templeton Foundation. Project: *‘Propelled by the Spirit: Pentecostalism, Innovation and Competition in Kenya, South Africa and Zimbabwe.’*
- Attended a workshop on Academy of Urban Super-diversity, Berlin 8-10 April 2015.
- Attended a University of Cape Town Sponsored workshop on ‘A Brief Introduction to Teaching in Higher Education 14 & 28 November 2014, Cape Town.
- Attended a University of Cape Town Post-Doctoral supervision training programme at Mont Fleur, Cape Town. 23-24 October 2014.
- Attended a University of Cape Town sponsored writing workshop at Mont Fleur, Cape Town for book (*ICTs, Mobility and the Reconfiguration of Marginality in South Africa*) chapter contributors to present their chapters and receive feedback to rework chapters. Title of proposed chapter: ‘Belonging away from home: Building community and virtual intimacies amongst Pinyin migrants in Cape Town and Cameroon’ 16-18 May 2014.

- Organized and participated in a WOTRO funded country workshop in Cape Town – South Africa. ‘Mobile Africa Revisited’ 16 June 2013. Presentation of research finding to the community under study (Pinyin and Mankon mobile communities of Cameroon).
- Attended a WOTRO sponsored writing workshop in Buea – Cameroon ‘Mobile Africa Revisited’ 8-26 January 2012.
- Organized and participated in a WOTRO funded country workshop; Cameroon ‘Mobile Africa Revisited’ Theme of workshop: ‘Mobile communication and Migrancy: new choices, new challenges’. 13 January 2011.
- ‘Mobile phones: The new talking drums of everyday Africa?’ 9-10 December 2010: Leiden – African Studies Centre. Presented a paper titled: *“Hello! The house is following the conversation”: The use of ICTs for social networking amongst Pinyin and Mankon migrants in Cape Town.*

Community service

- 2024 ... **Board chair/member:** African peacebuilding Network Advisory Board & selection Committee. Social Science Research Council, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2019 – (2023) **Board member:** African peacebuilding Network Advisory Board & selection Committee. Social Science Research Council, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2023 – (...) Editor Africa Spectrum
- Mentor: African peacebuilding Network and Next Generation scholars under the auspices of Social Science Research Council (Workshopping with emerging scholars on research, writing and publication. In person meetings with fellows twice a year and one virtual meeting) (2023 – (...)).
- Project Advisor: Engaging African Realities: Integrating Social Science within African Theology. A John Templeton funded project managed by Nagel Institute, Calvin University, Michigan (2021- 2024).

Projects mentored:

- Nollywood and Evangelical Films: Exploring Nigerian Cinema in relation to African Traditional Histories, Values and Spirituality.
- Exploring Semiotic Dimensions and Symbolic Expressions of Indigenous Spiritualities and Values.
- Towards an Eco-Theology of Fisheries Management: An Ethnographic Investigation of the Religious Dimensions of Small-Scale Fishery Practices on the West Coast of South Africa.

Fellowship

African Humanities Fellowship sponsored by Carnegie Foundation at the University of Dar es Salaam, September - October 2017. Completed a paper entitled: *Mobility and the quest for divine healing among Cameroonian female migrants in Cape Town, South Africa*, as well as gave a seminar on the paper at the Department of Religion and Philosophy, University of Dar es Salaam.

Journals reviewing for:

African Spectrum
Urban Forum
Alternation
Journal of Critical African Studies
Journal of Religion in Africa
Anthropology Southern Africa
Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies
Journal on Migration and Human Security

Languages Spoken and Written: English, French & Pidgin English.

Languages Spoken: Mankon, Bambili,