

#### reconfigurations

## WELCOME TO VAD2024

The Institute of African Studies at the University of Bayreuth will be hosting the biannual conference of the Association for African Studies in Germany e.V. (VAD) from 30 September - 02 October

Call for panels: nomadit.co.uk/vad/vad2024/cfpan

## THEME

The conference theme is Reconfigurations in Africa - and in African Studies, addressing current and past crises and processes of transformation on the African continent, as well as the need to critically reflect on the means - academic, artistic and otherwise by which we approach them globally to expand knowledge production. To this point VAD2024 aims to bring Africa-related institutions outside of Africa, including museums, universities and associations, into conversation with parallel institutions in Africa.

### FORMAT

VAD2024 will be held in a hybrid format to enable wide participation. Seven unique streams invite academics, activists, politicians, and artists to explore these themes from inter- and transdisciplinary perspectives.

#### nomadit.co.uk/vad/vad2024/cfpan#streams

## WELCOME TO BAYREUTH!

The University of Bayreuth is a charming university city tucked in between the Fichtel Mountains and the Franconian lands of Bavaria. Your access to enchanting nature is guaranteed! The city is both renowned for its lush natural landscape, as well as its celebration of culture, especially classical music in the World heritage Margravial Opera House and the Wagner Festival Theatre. The University of Bayreuth is one of Germany's leading centres for African Studies. All Africa-related activities at the University of Bayreuth are coordinated by the Institute of African Studies, providing opportunities to advance studies in the humanities and social sciences and also natural sciences.



Currently, it also houses the interdisciplinary "Africa Multiple" Cluster of Excellence with its emphasis on critical African Studies. In the Iwalewahaus, founded in 1981, contemporary African art is documented, researched, and taught.

## **KEY DATES**

- 28/06/2023 : Call for Panels begins
- 30/09/2023: Call for Panels ends

### **GET IN TOUCH**

Please email us at vad@nomadit.co.uk See you soon in Bayreuth!

- 04/12/2023: Call for Papers begins
- 31/01/2024: Call for Papers ends
- 12/02/2024: Deadline for accepting / rejecting papers
- March 2024 Early bird registration opens
- May/June 2024 Early bird registration closes
- Standard registration continues
- August 2024 Unregistered content removed from programme
- 29/09/2024: Young Scholars Day
- 30/09 02/10/2024: VAD2024





# **ORGANISERS**

#### VAD2024 is organized by

- Institut für Afrikastudien
- Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence
- University of Bayreuth

