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## Symposium on

**United States Policies towards Africa:**

**A Growing Importance (2001-2023)**

**President of the Symposium**

**Dr. Mourad Aty (8 May 1945 - Guelma University)**

**27 February 2024**

The last two decades have been marked by a new scramble for Africa. The world's super powers have been competing over strategic interests motivated by the changing nature of the 21st century's world affairs. The continent is known for its fragility and its multiple layers of vulnerability. Two major events were turning points for the continent, the 9/11 repercussions and the 2011 popular uprisings or the so-called "Arab Spring". The United States is widely concerned with both events. After years of focusing on the Middle East and South East Asia, there was a shift towards Africa to encounter the influence of what the US official documents call "strategic competitors". This encounter addresses the US political, military, social and cultural policies towards Africa. It aims at putting together academics to probe into the following **tracks**:

**Track 1:** The Growing Importance of Africa in the US Foreign Policy Agenda

**Track 2:** Literary Representations of Africa in the United States

**Track 3:** The Depiction of Africa in the US Movie Industry

**Track 4:** US Cultural Exchange Programs and the Inclination towards Youth

**Track 5:** English Language in Africa and the Cultural Impact

### **Important Dates**

- **Deadline for Abstracts** \_ 25 February 2024
- **Validation and Notification of Acceptance** \_ 26 February 2024
- **Symposium Date** \_ 27 February 2024

### **Guideline for Proposals**

Abstracts (maximum 300 words)

The CFP is open for Master (2<sup>nd</sup> Year) students as well

## **Proposals**

We call for abstracts that should not exceed 300 words, and which will be reviewed anonymously to be sent the following addresses:

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