The Horn of Africa Seminar brings together students and scholars interested in examining the region from a multidisciplinary and comparative perspective. This term, the seminar will look at a variety of issues, including the security arena in Central Africa and the Horn, national service in Eritrea, the diaspora’s role in Somali media, and the early roots of the Eritrean nationalist movement. By hosting lectures by experienced researchers alongside post-graduates, and by mixing academic and policy research, we hope to come to a shared, factually informed and politically relevant understanding of trends in the region.

Except where otherwise noted, the seminar takes place on Tuesdays at 5.00 pm in the Seminar Room, at the African Studies Centre (13 Bevington Road, OX2 6NB).

17 October – Gaim Kibreab (London South Bank University)
The Eritrean National Service: a great idea that never made it?
- Discussion & book launch for The Eritrean National Service: Servitude for "the common good" and the Youth Exodus

7 November – Tim Glawion (GIGA, Hamburg)
Ordering the security arena: peace and conflict in the world’s most failing states

14 November – Dawit Mesfin (Independent)
The role of Eritrean Weekly News in the construction of dual nationalisms
- Discussion & book launch for Woldeab Woldemariam: A Visionary Eritrean Patriot, A Biography

23 November* – Rachel Ibreck (Goldsmiths)
Citizens for justice; struggles against violence and predation in wartorn South Sudan
*5pm, Pavilion Room, St Antony’s; Co-hosted with the African Studies seminar

28 November – Idil Osman (SOAS)
Media, diaspora and the transnationalisation of conflict
- Discussion & book launch for Media, Diaspora and the Somali Conflict

No prior registration is required to attend the seminar, but masters and doctoral students are encouraged to sign up to the online list of graduates working on the Horn of Africa: http://goo.gl/qtv30E

If you would like to present your own research at a future seminar, please write to the convener:
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