
**Democracy and Economic Inclusion in Mozambique: understanding prospects in
the context of the past****Conference Agenda****Wednesday 20 June 2018**

10.00 – 17.00

Significant economic transformation seems to be within reach for Mozambique, as the promise of revenues from future liquefied natural gas production may bring new development opportunities, effective governance allowing. Yet economic growth that was achieved in the years after the end of Mozambique's civil war was not inclusive and poverty reduction was not commensurate. While two thirds of the population are too young to remember the civil war, this history continues to influence political events and decision-making as the country's democratic transition continues.

This conference will shed light on how the history of Mozambique's politics and international relations influence decisions and outcomes today. It will examine how such legacies, including past and current relations with Central and Eastern Europe, inform efforts to address key policy priorities of bridging the geographical, partisan, and social divides in the country. The first half of the conference will examine the past, and the second half will be forward looking, examining future political, economic and development prospects.

Registration

09.30 – 10.00

Welcome

10.00 – 10.15

Alex Vines, Director, Area Studies and International Law; Head, Africa Programme, Chatham House**HE Filipe Chidumo**, High Commissioner of the Republic of Mozambique to the United Kingdom**Book Launch: A Short History of Mozambique**

10.15 – 11.15

Malyn Newitt, Author, *A Short History of Mozambique**Discussant***Joe Hanlon**, Visiting Fellow, Open UniversityChair: **Christopher Cramer**, Professor of the Political Economy of Development, Department of Development Studies, SOAS**Historical and Diversifying International Relations: Post-Socialist Legacies and
Relations with Central and Eastern Europe**

11.15 – 12.30

*Mozambique in World Politics: From Natural Allies to Partners of Cooperation***António Matonse**, Chairman, 25 Investments and Consultancy*East Germany – Mozambique Linkages: (Post-) Socialist Citizenship***Tanja Müller**, Senior Lecturer in Development Studies, School of Environment, Education and Development, University of Manchester*Polish Relations with Lusophone Africa***Marek Rohr-Garztecki**, Ambassador ad Personam, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Poland to UNEP and UN Habitat*The Role of Post-Socialist Legacies for Current International Relations***Stefan Cibian**, Academy Associate, Chatham House; Author, *Central and Eastern Europe and Sub-Saharan Africa: Prospects for Sustained Re-engagement (Skype)*Chair: **Bob Dewar**, Associate Fellow, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Lunch

12.30 – 13.30

Mozambique's Political and Economic Prospects

13.30 – 15.00

Mozambique's Economic Outlook

Victor Lopes, Senior Economist, Standard Chartered Bank

Building Transparency and Accountability

Adriano Nuvunga, Professor of Political Science, Eduardo Mondlane University, Maputo

Prospects for Lasting Peace

Alex Vines, Director, Area Studies and International Law; Head, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Chair: **Carlos Lopes**, Associate Fellow, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Coffee Break

15.00 – 15.30

Emerging Security Threats in Northern Mozambique

15.30 – 16.30

The Current Situation in Cabo Delgado

Zenaida Machado, Researcher, Human Rights Watch

Countering New Threats in Northern Mozambique

Eric Morier-Genoud, Lecturer, School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics, Queens University Belfast

Chair: **Alex Vines**, Director, Area Studies and International Law; Head, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Closing: Democracy and Economic Inclusion in Mozambique

16.30 – 17.00

Carlos Lopes, Associate Fellow, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Chair: **Alex Vines**, Director, Area Studies and International Law; Head, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Reception

17.00 – 18.00