

Invitation to the GIGA Forum

Mozambique: The End of Peace?

in cooperation with the Institute of Romance Studies, University of Hamburg

Speakers:

Prof. Carrie Manning, Ph.D. (Georgia State University)

Dr. Johannes Plagemann (GIGA)

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Andreas Mehler (GIGA)

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Neuer Jungfernstieg 21, 20354 Hamburg, Raum 519

Mozambique was long regarded as a successful model of international peace policy. The 1992 General Peace Agreement of Rome secured the peaceful coexistence of the two former civil war enemies for two decades. At the same time, new discoveries of mineral resources always promised a sustainable fight against poverty. But the unexpected wealth aroused desires. In October, the opposition party and former rebel group RENAMO abrogated the peace agreement and returned to their brutal guerrilla tactics.

Carrie Manning is one of the world's leading researchers in the field of democracy and peace in Africa. Her work has been awarded several times. At the GIGA Forum, Prof Manning and GIGA researcher Johannes Plagemann will be discussing the case of Mozambique. They will address the following questions: What are the reasons behind the recent escalation of violence? What consequences do they have for the consolidation of peace and democracy in the country?

The lectures will be held in English.

Carrie Manning is the chair of the Department of Political Science at Georgia State University.

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