

ENoP – DLDP conference on: The possibility and potential of electoral reform – examples from Africa

Date: 22nd November 2018, 13:00-17:00

Venue: The National Museum of Denmark, Ny Vestergade 10, Copenhagen

Organisers: European Network of Political Foundations (ENoP) and Danish Liberal Democracy Programme (DLDP)

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- 13.00 **Welcome** by Mr. Bo Manderup-Jensen, chairman of DLDP
- 13.05 **Welcome** by Jakob Bec, ENoP Deputy Network Coordinator
- 13.10 **Introduction to the programme and practical information** by the moderator Mr. Bent Nicolajsen, programme manager, DLDP

(Brief introduction of participants including expectations to the afternoon)
- 13.20 **What does research and experience tell us about electoral systems and reforms in Sub-Saharan Africa?**
Dr. Oda van Cranenburgh, associate professor, the University of Leiden, the Netherlands
- 13.50 Q & A
- 14.00 Break
- 14.10 **The Kenyan experience:**

**What happened and did not happen in Kenya 10 years ago?
Is the Kenyan discussion and development typical or atypical?**
Dr. Jørgen Elklit, professor, Aarhus University, Denmark, who among other things served as Secretary to the Independent Review Commission (IREC) in Kenya in 2008

The current discussion and potential moves towards electoral reform following the most recent political development in Kenya
Mr. Frankline Mukwanja, executive director, Centre for Multiparty Democracy Kenya
- 15.00 Q & A

- 15.15 Break
- 15.30 Comment by Mr. Ole Therkildsen, Danish Institute for International Studies:
Who is pushing for democracy in Africa?
- 15.40 Discuss with your neighbor:
What did you find interesting in the presentations and discussions until now?
What would you like to ask? What is the way forward?
- 15.50 **Panel discussion: What is the way forward?**
For democracy support actors?
For the research community?
For political parties in Africa?
- Oda van Cranenburgh, University of Leiden
 - Professor Jørgen Elklit, professor at Aarhus University, Denmark
 - Frank Mukwanja, Executive Director of Centre for Multiparty Democracy Kenya
 - Malena Liedholm-Ndounou, Programme Officer at the Swedish Centre Party International Foundation
- 16.50 **Closing remarks** by Bo Manderup-Jensen, DLDP
- 17.00 **Reception**
- 19.00 **Thank you** for today