



ABSTRACT

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Security in Times of Crisis: The Case of East and Central Africa

Two central questions as focus of the speech:

Where The region affected by the conflict?

What is the relation of the target region with Europe?

1 - Horn of Africa or East Africa or East Central Africa, better defined as Sub-Saharan Belt

Including Horn of Africa (Somalia-Ethiopia-Eritrea), East Africa (Horn of Africa + Sudan, Kenya, Uganda), East and Central Africa (East Africa + Chad + Central African Republic + Democratic Republic of Congo)

Issues:

- a- Patterns of Governance
- b- Colonial State inequalities
- c- Political expediency in granting Independence
- d- Narrow base of Nationalist Movements
- e- Inequality of all aspects of Development
- f- Failure to obtain National consensus (State-Nation)
- g- Weakened State of Economy
- h- Involvement in Cold War politics
- i- Re-emergence of religious Militancy
- j- The Interest of Foreign Governments
- k- Impunity

2 - Europe, European Union, Western Europe, Eastern Europe or better the European sphere

Issues:

- a- Colonial heritage on Administration
- b- Slavery as a form of exploitation
- c- Economic development cooperation effect
- e- European Neighbourhood concept
- f- Euro –Mediterranean accords as a buffer
- g- Rising Economies (China-India) scramble for resources

- h- Illegal immigrants and human trafficking
- i- EU enlargement as a priority
- j- Prospects in the Future
- k- What are the security risks to Europe?

Concluding question:

How to break the vicious circle?