Continuity and Change in an Era of HIV/AIDS
University of Botswana
30-31 October 2008

Schedule
(all events to be held in the UB library auditorium)

Day 1
8am – 8:45 Registration
8:45 – 9am Opening: Prof B. Tsie, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Botswana
9am – 9:30 Plenary
9:30 – 11am Panel #1: The Family in Crisis?
11am – 11:30 Coffee
11:30 – 1pm Panel #2: The Predicament of Sexual Relations I: Prevention
1pm – 2:30 Lunch
2:30 – 4pm Panel #3: The Predicament of Sexual Relations II: Desire
4pm – 4:30 Coffee
4:30 – 6pm Panel #4: A Plurality of Responses
6pm – 8pm Wine Reception

Day 2
8:30 – 9 Registration
9 – 10:30 Panel #5: The Significance of Difference
10:30 – 11 Coffee
11 – 12:30 Panel #6: The Politics of Treatment
12:30 – 2 Lunch
2 – 3:30 Panel #7: The Social and Political Dimensions of Clinical Research
3:30 – 4 Coffee
4 – 5:30 Panel #8: The Role of the State
5:30 – 5:45 Closing: Dr G. Mookodi, Head, Department of Sociology, University of Botswana
Day 1

8:30 – 8:45 Registration  
8:45 – 9:00 Opening: Professor Godisang Mookodi  
9:00 – 9:30 Plenary

9:30 – 11:00: Panel #1

The Family in Crisis?  
Chair: Sethunya Mosime

- Gwen Lesetedi (University of Botswana) “The Family under Siege in sub-Saharan Africa: The Challenges of the HIV/AIDS Pandemic”
- Gloria Jacques (University of Botswana) “The Changing Face of Family: HIV and AIDS and Statutory Foster Care in Botswana”
- Tor Ullsvik (University of Oslo) “The Child-headed Household in Botswana” *

11:45 – 11:30 Coffee

11:30 – 1:00: Panel #2

The Predicament of Sexual Relations I: Prevention  
Chair: Bagele Chilisa

- Nolwazi Mkhwanazi (Fort Hare Institute for Social & Economic Research) “Preventing HIV: The Politics of Providing Sexuality Education to Xhosa-speaking Youth”
- Robert Molebatsi & Brothers Malema (University of Botswana) “Multiple Sexual Partners and its Implications for the Control of HIV and AIDS in Botswana”
- Obed Kealotswe (University of Botswana) “Successes and Failures in the Fight against HIV/AIDS in Botswana”
- Sethunya Mosime (University of Botswana) Circumcision for public health and circumcision as le rite de passage: Anthropology and its challenges in the era of HIV/AIDS

1:00 – 2:30 Lunch
Day 1, con’t.

2:30 – 4:00: Panel #3

The Predicament of Sexual Relations II: Desire
Chair:

Emily Margaretten (University of the Witwatersrand) “Hey Baby I Love You I Buy You Cell Phone Get into My Car”

Tsitsi Masvaure (University of Zimbabwe) “Active Lust Seeking: Sexual Pleasure and Female Students”

Abraham Mulwo (University of KwaZulu Natal) “Social Constructions of ‘Being Faithful’ among University Students and the Implications for their Reception of Partner Fidelity Messages”

Discussant: Leloba Molema

4:00 – 4:30 Coffee

4:30 – 6:00: Panel #4

A Plurality of Responses
Chair: Maitseo Bolaane

Jabulani Sithole (Independent) “Continuity and Change: Indigenous Knowledge in the response to HIV and AIDS”

Laura Martindale et al. (Kuru Trust) “NGOs in an Era of HIV and AIDS: Challenges and Opportunities”

Brigitte Bagnol (University of the Witwatersrand.) “Lovolo, a Relationship with Spiritual Beings” *


6.00 – 8.00 pm

Wine Reception
Day 2

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 10:30: Panel #5

The Significance of Difference
Chair: Riley Dillon

K. Nthomang (University of Botswana) “Stigma and Discrimination: A Complex Socio-Cultural Impediment in the Fight against HIV and AIDS in Botswana”

Ditiro Majadibodu (University of Oslo) “Disability and Sexuality in the Context of HIV/AIDS in Francistown, Botswana”

Treasa Galvin (University of Botswana) “‘No, we are not the same’: Why Difference is Important in an Era of HIV and AIDS”

Sibonile Edith Ellece (University of Botswana) “Asking for a ‘water calabash’: metaphor and gender in ‘Patlo’ marriage ceremonies in Botswana”

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee

11:00 – 12:30: Panel #6

The Politics of Treatment
Chair: Rachel Giraudo

Nontombi Gungqisa, Michael Chester Lopang and Ackson Kanduza (University of Botswana) “No More Victims: HIV/AIDS, Lessons of History and Food Rations in Botswana”

Elise Carpenter (University of Pennsylvania) “Bureaucrat Hosts and Expert Guests and their Roles in Botswana’s early ARV Program” *

Fanny Chabrol (l’École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales) “‘Government loves its citizens so much that it gives medication’: Reshaping National Identity around Access to AIDS treatment in Botswana”

Steven Robins (Stellenbosch University) “TBA”

Discussant: O. Selolwane

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch
Day 2, con’t.

2:00 – 3:30: Panel #7

The Social and Political Dimensions of Clinical Research
Chair: Tubanu Mashaka

Shelley Lees (London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine) “Power and Authority: Women’s Changing Role as Participants in an HIV Prevention Trial”

Fatma Soud et al. (BOTUSA) “Community Involvement during the HIV Prevention Clinical Trial in Botswana”

Betsey Brada (University of Chicago) “’We are all specimens’: The anxiety of experimentation in Botswana.”

Discussant: Elsie Alexander

3:30 – 4:00 Coffee

4:00 – 5:30: Panel #8

The Role of the State
Chair: Fanny Chabrol

Manjari Mahajan (Social Science Research Council, USA) “Governing Through the Non-Governmental: Shifting Terrains of Public Health in India's AIDS Epidemic” *

Rekha Kumar (University of Botswana) “The Ethical and Human Rights Dimensions in Prenatal HIV/AIDS: Botswana in Global Perspective”

Charles Gossett (University of Botswana & California State Polytechnic) “The Impact of HIV/AIDS and Anti-Retroviral Therapies on the Civil Service in Botswana”

Thomas Cousins (Johns Hopkins University) “The Contemporary Biosociality of Ingestion and the Politics of AIDS in Southern Africa”

5:30 – 5:45 Closing