

## Democracy at Work in an African State: Governance in Namibia since 1990

Seminar, Tuesday, 16-18, Ethnologisches Seminar

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Organisation and Introduction	
24.10.	Organisation
31.10.	Introduction I: Namibian Politics
7.11.	Introduction II: Sources, Material, Research Techniques
Group Work	
14.11.	Preliminary discussion and organisation
28.11.	Individual research
5.12.	Presentations to group
12.12.	Discussions and theoretical framing
19.12.	Preparation of joint presentation
Presentations and Discussions	
9.1.	Group 1: Government Policy
16.1.	Group 2: Economic Policy
23.1.	Group 3: Decentralisation and National Unity
30.1.	Group 4: Society
Concluding	
6.2.	A case of public governance: Ondangwa Railway Station Opening (Dobler)
13.2.	Concluding Discussion

### Working Groups:

#### 1. *National Governance and Party Policy*

The political system  
Swapo: from liberation movement to political party  
Swapo Fractions and the two Presidents  
Opposition politics  
Dominant Discourses: Transparency, Vision 2030, Development

#### 2. *Economic Policy*

BEE  
Parastatals  
Corruption and Anti-Corruption  
Trade Unions  
Transformations of Inequality; Basic Income Grant Controversy

#### 3. *Local Authorities, Decentralisation, National Unity*

Bantustans, One Nation, Decentralisation: History and Legal Framework  
Communal Land Issues and Property Rights  
The Crisis of Local Authorities  
Particularist Claims: Herero Reparation Claims and Veteran Issues

#### 4. *Society*

Traditional authorities and traditional law  
The role of the Churches  
Gender and gender policy  
Shebeens and alcohol  
Crime