

Professor Kinfe Abraham Profile

Professor Kinfe Abraham is an economist, educationalist, diplomatic and political historian who holds Graduate and Doctoral Degrees from several European and US universities.



Professor Kinfe Abraham is also a full bright scholar of MW foundation, an eminent continental expert of the SIAS on African affairs as well as a designated New Millennium full bright professor of International relations.

Described as one of the leading thinkers of Africa by the Africa world Journal [AWJ], he is at present the president of the International Institute for Peace and Development (Ethiopia), but also serves as president of the HADAD International Lobby and Chief Political Advisor of IGAD. He has previously served as Director General of Political and Humanitarian Affairs and as Acting and Deputy Executive Secretary of IGAD.

He has also chaired and convened several international conferences. On themes of International and Regional Security and Conflict Management, Economic Integration and Transboundary Resources, the Hydropolitics of the Nile and food security, the Ethio-Arab and Middle Eastern Relations, NEPAD and the African Union, and figured in the International media including CNN, the BBC, ITV, ETV, CBS, KBC and the German, Canadian, Swedish TV and Radio Networks.

Curriculum Vitae

Personal information

Kinfe Abraham (Prof.)

Date of Birth *Oct. 20, 1950*

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I. Areas of Education and Professional Experience

Education and Manpower Planning, Managerial Economics, Politics and International Relations

Credentials: (1971 - Present)

Certificate International Security Studies, Graduate School of International Relations, University of Geneva, 1996.

Ph.D. Educational Planning and Technology, (CULA), USA, 1983.

Ph.D. Race and International Relations (African and Afro-American Research - From Race to Class) Uppsala University and CULA, 1982.

FBSC Fellow of the British Society of Commerce (London, UK, 1977).

ABSC Associate of the British Society of Commerce (London, UK, 1976).

MA American Literary Studies, Uppsala University, 1979.

MA MA level diploma in Advanced Industrial Management, The Research Institute for Management Science, The Netherlands, (RVB), 1973.

BA Education, Administration, Addis Ababa University, 1971.

Recent Positions Held

Member 2002-Present	Imminent continental experts group on NEPAD and AU, Pretoria, South Africa
Member 2002-Present	Continental experts Forum on NEPAD and AU, Pretoria, South Africa
Chief political Advisor to the IGAD 1999-Present	Advisor in the conflict Mediation Process of the Horn of Africa and the Sudan Peace Process.
Special Envoy of the Ethiopian Government 1997	Government delegate to the evaluation mission of the UN involvement in Rwanda, New Jersey, USA
President 1994-Present	Horn of Africa Democracy and Development (HADAD) International Lobby, The Eye on Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa and the African Economist Publications
Director General 1997-2000	Political and Humanitarian Affairs Division, IGAD
President 1996-present	Ethiopian International Institute for Peace and Development (EIIPD)
Ambassador-at-large and Chief	Ministry of Foreign Affairs): covering UN Affairs,

Political Advisor on Foreign Relations.1995-96	the Great Lakes, Horn of Africa, Inter Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) and Policy and Capacity Building related issues
Senior International Expert 1994-96	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Team Leader/Coordinator 1993-94	on the Establishment of the EIIPD
Bureau Director 1976-86	Swedish International Development Authority (SIDA)
Senior International Expert1973-75	International Labor Organization (ILO)

II. Research Work Under Way

1. IGAD Dilemmas
2. War and Peace in the Horn of Africa
3. The State of the Horn
4. Issues of Conflict and Under Development
5. Globalisation
6. NEPAD and the Horn of Africa
7. The Nile Issue
8. Poverty Reduction
9. The Ethio-Eritrean War

III. Publications

Internationally Published Books

1. [Somalia Calling, NINA Press, Uppsala, 2002.](#)
2. [Ethiopia: From Empire to Federation, NINA Press, Uppsala, 2001.](#)
3. [Ethiopia the Dynamics of Economic Reforms, Nina Press, Uppsala, 2001.](#)
4. Peace Under Assault, EIIPD Press, Addis Ababa, 1999.
5. The Battle of Histories: The Conflict Between the Unitary and Pluralist States, Magnussa Press, AWP NJ USA, 1997.
6. The Apartheid Axis: A Cultural and Political History of the Black People, 1997
7. The Missing Millions: Why and How Africa is Underdeveloped Africa World Press NJ USA, 1995.
8. [Ethiopia: From Bullets to the Ballot Box, Red Sea Press, AWP New Jersey, USA, 1994.](#)
9. Statistical Briefings of the Education Sector Support, Stockholm, SIDA 1993/94
10. Ethiopia: The Challenge of the 20th Century Education, SIDA, 1993
11. Black People, White People - A cultural History of Race Relations, AWP, USA - Forthcoming, 1993
12. Swedish Education Assistance, SIDA, 1992
13. [Politics of Black Nationalism from Harlem to Sweto, Africa World Press USA, 1991](#)

14. Statistical Digest, Stockholm, SIDA 1991/92
15. Statistical Digest, Stockholm, SIDA 1989/90
16. Professional Training for Service in the Third World, Mag. Press, 1984
17. From Race to Class Grass Roots Publishers, 1983
18. Handbook of Professional Terminology, Cosmic Press, 1983

Other Publications

1. [Effective Communication, EIIPD Press, 1999](#)
2. Africa from Dream to Reality, AWP
3. Syllabus and Training Development Manual
4. Ethiopia: Economic Prospects and Strategic Issues
5. War and Peace in the Horn

Publications Associated With

1. President, The Eye on Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa, Monthly Published Magazine
2. President, The African Economist, Monthly Published Magazine
3. Columnist, The Africa analysis, UK, 1994-Present
4. Columnist, Africa Events, 1994-Present
5. Columnist, South African Political and Economic Monthly (SAPEM), 1992-96
6. Columnist, South Magazine, UK, 1992-96

IV. Recognition's and Titles Earned

Professional Titles Earned

1. Distinguished Research Fellow of the Potomac Center of Inter-American Universities, 2000.
2. Fellow, the Distinguished Scholar forum, Tel-Aviv University, 2000.
3. Distinguished Research Fellow, the African Renaissance Institute, 2000.
4. Board Member, Institute of Strategic Studies, South Africa-ISS, 1998-2000.
5. Board Member, the Ethiopian International Institute of Peace and Development, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 1997-2000.
6. President, Ethiopia International Institute for Peace and Development (EIIPD), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 1997-2000.
7. Special Envoy and Chief Political Advisor, the Somali Peace Process, Ethiopia, 1997-2000.
8. Fellow, the British Society of Commerce (BSC), 1998.
9. Associate the British Society of Commerce (BSC), 1997.
10. Fulbright Scholar, Marcues Wallenberg Foundation, 1983.
11. Alumuni, the British Society of Commerce (BSC) London, 1978.

V. Academic Recognitions Earned

- a. Chief Political Advisor of the IGAD Secretarial on Sudan Peace Process Nairobi, 2000.
- b. Chief Political Advisor of on Foreign Policy, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, 1996-2000.
- c. President, HADAD- The Horn of Africa Democracy and Development International Lobby, 1993-2000.
- d. Special Envoy of the Ethiopian Prime Minister, 1997-1999.
- e. Chief Political Advisor on the Somali Peace Process, Addis Ababa, 1997-1999.
- f. Director General of Political and Humanitarian Affairs of IGAD and Ambassador at-Large for Regional Affairs Djibouti, 1997-1999.
- g. Executive Consultant on the Establishment of the EIIPD, 1995-1996.
- h. Senior Expert, UNDP, UN, 1994-1996.
- i. Bureau Director, of HRD, SIDA, Sweden, 1991-1994.
- j. Bureau Director, Research Department SIDA, Sweden, 1984-1990.
- k. Director of Studies of SIDA/STC, Swedish and UN Export Training and Institute Sweden, 1976-1980.
- l. Senior Expert, ILO, UN, 1973-1974.

VI. Outstanding Invitation for Lectures from

1. The University of Cairo UAR
2. The Al Akram Institute Cairo, UAR
3. The Center for Diplomatic Studies, Cairo, UAR
4. The University of Morocco
5. The University of Tunisi
6. The University of Ankara, Turkey
7. The Institute of Diplomacy, Tripoli, Libya
8. The Iranian Islamic University
9. The Ethiopian International Institute for Peace and Development (EIIPD), Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
10. The Institute of Ethiopian Studies
11. The Faculty of Economics of Addis Ababa University
12. The Institute of Languages of Addis Ababa University
13. The Political Science and International Affairs Association of Addis Ababa University
14. The Association of the University Students of Addis Ababa University
15. Alumni of the LLU, California
16. Alumni of RVB, Institute of Advanced Industrial Management.
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Recent Key Lectures Delivered and Conferences Chaired by Prof. Kinfe Abraham

- Security Challenges of the Horn of Africa , French Military Academy, Paris June 8-17,2005.
- Ethiopia and European Union, Addis Ababa University May 10,2005.
- Ethio-Nigerian Relations :Challenges and Opportunities, Sheraton Addis Sept. 29, 2005
- Federalism, Good Governance and Human Rights in Ethiopia, University of Lund, Sweden Oct 14-16, Sweden.
- Decentralization and good Governance in the Horn ,Somalia Assistance group, Stockholm ,October 10-12,Sweden.
- The independence struggle of Morocco and The role of his mag esty King Mohammed V,Robat Morocco, Nov 14-16 2005.
- Integrating the African Economy ,Osera, AA Nov, 2005

VII. International Lectures Delivered

Name of the Institute: China International Institute of Strategic Studies, Institute of Modern International Relation, China Institute of Contemporary International Relation, Academy of Social Sciences, China Association of Human Rights and Institute of Peace and Disarmament.

<p>Country: China</p> <p>Date: October29 - Nov. 2, 2002</p>	<p>Theme of Lecture: NEPAD Imperatives, Centric Perspectives of Human Rights and Conflict and Cooperation.</p>
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Name of the Institute: Institute of Security Studies (ISS)

<p>Country: South Africa, Pretoria</p> <p>Date: November 24-26, 2002</p>	<p>Theme of Lecture: Chairman of the plenary of the conference on the role of Civil Society in the advancement of NEPAD.</p>
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Name of Institution: John Hopkins University

<p>Country: United States of America</p> <p>Date: October, 2002</p>	<p>Theme of Lecture: Conflict and Cooperation in the Horn of Africa</p>
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Name of Institution: Gorge Town University

<p>Country: United States of America</p> <p>Date: October, 2002</p>	<p>Theme of Lecture: State of the Horn</p>
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Name of Institution: African Institute of South Africa

Country: Pretoria, South Africa Date: June, 2002	Theme of Lecture: NEPAD and the AU
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Name of Institution: Region 14 Trade, Industry and Tourism Bureau

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Date: July 4, 2002	Theme of Lecture: Global Perspectives of Conference Tourism and its Impact on Ethiopian Diplomacy
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Name of Institution: UNDP

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Date: July 2, 2002	Theme of Lecture: Ethiopia: Leadership Capacity Development in Reversing the HIV/AIDS Epidemic
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Name of Institution: UNECA

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Date: June, 2002	Theme of Lecture: Chaired the Symposium on Ethio-Arab Relations
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Name of Institution: African Institute of South Africa

Country: Pretoria, South Africa Date: 2002	Theme of Lecture: The Conflicts of the Horn of Africa
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Name of Institution: The House of Federation

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Date: June, 2002	Theme of Lecture: Prospects of Federalism in Ethiopia
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Name of Institution: The Ethiopian International Institute for Peace and Development

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Date: April, 2002	Theme of Lecture: The State of the Horn, Addressed to Newly appointed Ethiopian Ambassadors
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Name of Institution: Addis Ababa University

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Theme of Lecture: Globalization and Its Impact on Ethiopia
Date: 2002	

Name of Institution: The Ethiopian Social Rehabilitation and Development Fund (ESRDF)

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Theme of Lecture: Challenges And Prospects of Operationalizing the Federal Reform
Date: 15-19 January, 2002	

Name of Institution: The Development Policy Forum of the German Foundation for International Development (DSE)

Country: Berlin, Germany	Theme of Lecture: Developing Cultures – Cultures of Development
Date: 4 – 5 March, 2002	

Name of Institution: ACTS

Country: Nakuru, Kenya	Theme of Lecture: Ecological Sources of Conflict in Sub-Saharan
Date: 18– 20 March, 2002	

Name of Institution: UN - High Commissioner for Human Rights

Country: Durban, South Africa	Theme of Lecture: Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance
Date: 31 August – 7 Sept. 2001	

Name of Institution: The Potomac Inter-American University of Center for Anti-terrorism Studies

Country: Washington D.C., USA	Theme of Lecture: The Challenge of Terrorism to National Security
Date: February, 2000.	

Name of Institution: The University of Tel-Aviv, Israel

Country: Tel-Aviv, Israel	Theme of Lecture: The Challenges of Conflict and Terrorism in the Horn
Date: March 23, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Japan Institute of Social Studies

Country: Tokyo, Japan	Theme of Lecture: The Role of Civil Society in Conflict Management
Date: March 28-29, 2000	

Name of Institution: The African Renaissance Institute

Country: Pretoria, South Africa	Theme of Lecture: The Challenge of Pan-Africanism
Date: April, 2000	

Name of Institution: Safer World of the European Union

Country:	Theme of Lecture: Poverty and the Water Issue in the Nile Basin
Date: June, 2000	

Name of Institution: Ministry of Water Resource

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Theme of Lecture: Nile 2002 conference, Nile Hurdles
Date: June/July, 2000	

Name of Institution: Ministry of Water Resource

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Theme of Lecture: Nile 2002 conference, Nile Imperative
Date: June/July, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

Country: Beijing, China	Theme of Lecture: The Current Africa Leadership
Date: August, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Chinese Center for Third World Studies

Country: Beijing, China	Theme of Lecture: Constitutionalism as an Instruments of Democratization
Date: 28-31, August, 2000	

Name of Institution: The School of African and Oriental Studies University of London

Country: London, England	Theme of Lecture: The African Development Challenges
Date: August, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Life and Peace Institute (LPI) Uppsala

Country: Uppsala, Sweden	Theme of Lecture: Conflicts and Underdevelopment
Date: August, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Swedish International Development Authority (SIDA)

Country:	Theme of Lecture: The Ethio-Eritrean Conflict and its Regional Implications
Date: August, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Uppsala Department of Conflict Studies

Country: Uppsala, Sweden	Theme of Lecture: The Ethio-Eritrean Conflict and Role of the International Community
Date: August, 2000	

Name of Institution: The German Institute of International Development

Country: Germany	Theme of Lecture: The Ethio-Eritrean Conflict and Role of the International Community
Date: August, 2000	

Name of Institution: German Foundation for international Development (DSE).

Country: Berlin, Germany	Theme of Lecture: International Policy Dialogue on Development and Disarmament
Date: Oct. 31 – Nov. 1, 2000	

Name of Institution: German Development and Peace Foundation

Country: Berlin, Germany	Theme of Lecture: Human Security, Institutional Reform Societal Change
Date: November 9-11, 2000	

Name of Institution: The Conference on African Conflicts organized by Frederisch Ebert Foundation

Country: Nairobi, Kenya	Theme of Lecture: The Role of Civil Society in Conflict Management
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Date: 2000	
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Name of Institution: The Nordic Institute of African Studies, Uppsala University

Country: Uppsala, Sweden	
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Date: Aug. 1999 & Sept. 2000	
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Theme of Lecture: Conflict and the Challenge of Development
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Name of Institution: The Faculty of Economics of Addis Ababa University

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	
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Date: Sept. 1999 & March 2000	
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Theme of Lecture: Globalization and Africa's Development Challenges
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Name of Institution: The University of Westminster London

Country: London, UK	
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Date: August 1998 & July 2000	
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Theme of Lecture: Diplomacy and Economic Development

Name of Institution: The UN University Tokyo

Country: Tokyo, Japan	
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Date: 1997, 2000	
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Theme of Lecture: Leadership

Name of Institution: The Institute of Ethiopian Studies

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	
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Date: March 1996 & Nov. 2000	
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Theme of Lecture: Human Resource Development in Ethiopia

Name of Institution: The University Witwaterstrand Dept of law and Human Rights

Country: Pretoria, South Africa	
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Date: February 1999	
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Theme of Lecture: The South African and Ethiopian Experience on the Treatment of Genocide
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Name of Institution: The Institute of Foreign Service of India

Country: Delhi, India	
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Theme of Lecture: Diplomatic Training
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Date: February 1999	in Ethiopia
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Name of Institution: The Juara Nehru University

Country: Delhi, India	Theme of Lecture: Diplomacy and Development
Date: February 1999	

Name of Institution: The South African Institute of Strategic Studies (ISS)

Country: Pretoria, South Africa	Theme of Lecture: Conflicts and the African Security Dilemma
Date: April, 1999	

Name of Institution: Civil Service Commission and the Eastern, Regional Organization for Public Administration (EROPA)

Country: Manila, Philippines	Theme of Lecture: From Government to Governance
Date: 31 May – 4 June, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Henrich Böll Foundation F.R.Germany

Country: Germany	Theme of Lecture: Brain drain on Institution Building
Date: June, 1999	

Name of Institution: The University of Witwalerstrand

Country: Johannesburg, South Africa	Theme of Lecture: Improving Human Rights Through Constitutionalism And Socio-Economic Reforms in Ethiopia
Date: 11-14 June, 1999	

Name of Institution: The University of Oslo

Country: Oslo, Norway	Theme of Lecture: Democratization and Human Rights
Date: August, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Institute of Social Studies, The Netherlands

Country: Netherlands	Theme of Lecture: Nile and the Environment Dilemma
Date: September, 1999	

Name of Institution: The University of Utrecht, The Netherlands

Country: Netherlands	Theme of Lecture: The Dilemma of Mono Culturalism in Africa
Date: September, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Harvard Human Rights Center, Harvard, USA

Country: Washington, USA	Theme of Lecture: Good Governance as Insurance of Democratization
Date: October, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Kennedy School of Government, Harvard, USA

Country: Washington, USA	Theme of Lecture: Power-sharing as a Tool of Human Rights
Date: October, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Harvard Institute of Development (HID), Harvard, USA

Country: Washington, USA	Theme of Lecture: Ethiopia's Dynamics of Economic Reform and Renewal
Date: October, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Fletcher School of Diplomacy, Harvard, USA

Country: Washington, USA	Theme of Lecture: The Changing Face of Diplomacy in Africa in the 21 st Century
Date: October, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Ethiopian International Institute for Peace and Development (EIIPD)

Country: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Theme of Lecture: African Economies and Pitfalls and Polytonalities of Globalization
Date: 16 November, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Brookings Institution Washington

Country: Washington DC, USA	Theme of Lecture: Democratization and Economic Development in Africa the Case of Ethiopia.
Date: November, 1999	

Name of Institution: The Institute of World Peace, Washington

Country: Washington DC, USA	Theme of Lecture: The Triple Dilemma of the Horn
Date: November, 1999	

Name of Institution: The United States Institute of Peace

Country: Washington DC, USA	Theme of Lecture: The Ethio-Eritrean Conflict and the Somalia Crisis
Date: November, 1999	

Name of Institution: The American University, Washington

Country: Washington DC, USA	Theme of Lecture: The Crisis of State management in Africa
Date: November, 1999	

Name of Institution: The American University, Washington

Country: Washington DC, USA	Theme of Lecture: The Crisis of State management in Africa
Date: November, 1999	

Name of Institution: The University of Western Cape, SA

Country: Capetown, South Africa	Theme of Lecture: Legal Measures Against Perpetrators of Genocide
Date: 1999	

Name of Institution: The German Think-Tank Center

Country: Bonn, Germany	Theme of Lecture: Legal Measures Against Perpetrators of Genocide
Date: April, 1998	

Name of Institution: The German Institute of Fellowships, DSA, Berlin

Country: Berlin, Germany	Theme of Lecture:
Date: April, 1998	

Name of Institution: The German Thin-tank, Frankfurt

Country: Frankfurt, Germany	Theme of Lecture:

Date: April, 1998	
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Name of Institution: The Conrad Adenauer Foundation

Country : Bonn, Germany	
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Date: April, 1998	
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Theme of Lecture:

Name of Institution: The Research Institute for Management Science, the Delft, Netherlands

Country: The Netherlands	
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Date: June, 1998	
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Theme of Lecture:

Name of Institution: The Clingendael Institute, The Netherlands

Country: The Netherlands	
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Date: September, 1998	
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Theme of Lecture: The African Conflict Management Experience

Name of Institution: French Military Academy

Country : French, Paris	
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Date : June 6-17,2005	
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Theme of Lectures: The security Challenges of the Horn Of Africa

Name of Institution: Addis Ababa University

Country: Ethiopia	
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Date : May 10,2005	
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Theme of Lectures: Ethiopia and European Union

At Sheraton Addis , Ethiopia

Country: Ethiopia	
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Date: Sept 29,2005	
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Theme of Lectures: Ethio-Nigerian Relations: Challenges and opportunities
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Name of Institutions: University of Lund ,Sweden

Country: Sweden	
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Theme of Lectures: Federalism, Good
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Date :Oct, 14-16, Sweden

Governance and Human Rights in Ethiopia

Name of Institutions: Stockholm ,Sweden

Country: Sweden

Theme of Lectures: Decentralization and good Governance in the Horn, Somalia Assistance group

Date :October 10-12, Sweden

Name of Institutions:

Country: Morocco

Theme of Lectures: The independence Struggle of Morocco and The role of his mage sty king Mohammed V, Robat

Date :Nov 14-16, 2005

Name of Institutions :

Country :

Theme of Lectures: Integrating the African Economy, Osera, AA

Date: Nov 25, 2005