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## Elections Don't Bring Changes

Current popular protests in African countries are directed not only against political leaders but also against the whole system affecting people's social and economic lives, argues well-known French-Egyptian economist Samir Amin. At the CODESRIA general assembly in Dakar early in June he expressed concern that democracy has been reduced to elections only.

[Read interview.](#)



## A New Dawn for Little Towns

"If I can make it there, I'll make it anywhere" – so run the lyrics from the musical *New York, New York*. They might just as well have been written about Angola's booming capital Luanda, one of Africa's fastest growing cities, which attracts people with dreams and ambitions from all over the continent.

[Read interview with Cristina Rodrigues.](#)

## STATUES TELL US THE HISTORY OF KENYA

"Our monuments are aspirations for a united Kenya for all its inhabitants, however we are not there yet". [Watch video clip](#) with NAI guest researcher Lydia Muthuma who studies public monuments in Nairobi.

## RESISTANCE AND REVOLT IN AFRICA

The 6<sup>th</sup> European Conference on African Studies [ECAS 2015](#) in Paris deals with collective mobilisations in Africa - contestation, resistance and revolt.

Several NAI researchers participate in panels and some are convenors of panels, among them; Jesper Bjarnesen and Mats Utas on [urban kinship](#), Marianne Millstein on [urban protests](#), Terje Oestgaard on [land and water deals in East Africa](#).

## ISIS AND BOKO HARAM CONNECTIONS

Almedalsveckan has started, the annual event in Visby, Sweden, where top politicians and policy makers of all parties meet in debates. A group of NAI researchers are there to take part in panels on African related subjects, for example Henrik Angerbrandt that will talk about links between ISIS and Boko Haram.

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## JYVÄSKYLÄ ON THE CAUSES OF POVERTY

Research needs to go beyond the measuring of poverty and instead focus on its causes and dynamics. This is what a [conference at University of Jyväskylä](#) in Finland will deal with.

The conference is next year – but session proposals must be submitted no later than end of August this year.

## XENOPHOBIC HOSTILITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA

"Xenophobia is so normalized in South Africa that we don't question it anymore".

[See interview](#) with University teacher Sarah Chiumbu who is originally from Zimbabwe but has lived many years in South Africa.