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The Changing Use and Misuse of Catha Edulis (Khat) in a Changing World: Tradition, Trade and Tragedy

Scandic Linköping Väst, Linköping • Sweden
5-9 October 2009

Chair:

Dr. Michael Odenwald, University of Konstanz, Germany

Vice-Chairs:

Dr. Nasir Warfa, Queen Mary University of London, UK

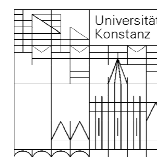
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Final Programme

Monday 5th October

Late afternoon /
early evening

18:30

19:00

19:30

20.00

Registration at the ESF-RC desk

Opening (Dr. Michael Odenwald)

Keynote Lecture:

Dr. Paul Griffiths

European Monitoring Center on Drugs and Drug Addiction, Portugal
Khat from the Perspective of the European Monitoring Center

Welcome Drink

Dinner

Tuesday 6th October

08.45-09.00

Conference Opening

Session 1: Developmental Economics/Agriculture/Ecology

Chair: Dr. Michael Odenwald, University of Konstanz, Germany

09.00-09.45

Dr. Peer Gatter

German Development Service and University of Tübingen,
Germany

The political Economy of Khat in Yemen

09.45-10.30

Prof. Dr. Gessesse Dessie

Wondo Genet College of Forestry & Natural Resources, Ethiopia

Khat production and Forest Decline in Ethiopia

10.30-11.00

Coffee break

11.00-11.45

Dr. Qahtan Al-Asbahi

United Nations Development Program and National Water
Resources Authority, Yemen

Khat Production and the Water Crisis in Yemen

11.45–12.00

Paper Presentations and Discussion

Dr. Mulugeta Assefa

CIFOR-Ethiopia Office & Haramaya University, Ethiopia

*What is known and what is not known about the khat culture
in Ethiopia: Perspectives of farmers and communities.*

12.00–12.15

Dr. Wario Roba Adano

Max-Planck Institute of Social Anthropology, Germany

*Ecology, economics of production and trade in mirra around
Marsabit Mountain in Northern Kenya*

12.15–12.30

DISCUSSION

12.30

Lunch

Session 2: Culture of Khat Consumption/Social Anthropology

Chair: Dr. Axel Klein, University of Kent, UK

14:00-14:45

Dr. Susan Beckerleg

Warwick University, UK

Khat and Sex

Paper Presentations

14:45-15:00

Ephrem Tesema Anteh

University of Basel, Switzerland

Harara: Time for chewing khat and the re-ordering of everyday life of consumers and others in Ethiopia

15:00-15.15

Nikki Rogers

Wright University, USA

The emergent generation gap in attitudes towards khat use in urban Ethiopia

15.15-15.30

DISCUSSION

15.30-16.00

Coffee break

Paper Presentations and Discussion

16.00-16.15

Dr. Peter Hansen

Danish Institute on International Development, Denmark

Khat and cultural ambiguity in Somaliland

16.15-16.30

Dr. Antony Onga'yo

Transnational Institute, Amsterdam

Khat production, trade and conflicts in Somalia - is there a link?

16.30-16.45

DISCUSSION

16.45-17.30

Poster Sessions 1 & 2:

(1) Economy/Agriculture/Ecology

(2) Culture/Social Anthropology

19.00

Keynote lecture:

Prof. Dr. Günther Schlee

Max-Planck Institute of Social Anthropology, Germany

Introductory perspectives: Khat in the context of conflicts at the Horn of Africa

19:30

Get Together & Conference Dinner

Wednesday 7th October

Session 3: Mental Health

Chair: Dr. Nasir Warfa, Queen Mary University, UK

09.00-09.45

Prof. Dr. Kam Bhui

Queen Mary University of London, UK

Khat use and mental health

09.45-10.30	Dr. Michael Odenwald University of Konstanz, Germany <i>Motivations for Khat use</i>
10.30-11.00	Coffee break Paper Presentations and Discussion
11.00-11:15	Prof. Dr. Solomon Rataemane University of Limpopo, South Africa <i>Khat use - an emerging problem in South Africa</i>
11.15-11.30	Prof. Dr. Caleb Joseph Othieno University of Nairobi, Kenya <i>Khat use in East Africa - psycho-social effects</i>
11.30-11.45	Dr. Kamram Mashhadi Somalia Support Secretariat, UNDP, Kenya <i>Health Impacts of Khat in Somalia</i>
11.45-12.00	Dr. Eleni Palazidou NHS East London, UK <i>The psychopharmacological effects of khat</i>
12.00-12.15	Ingeborg Kragegaard Municipality of Aarhus, Denmark <i>Linking social work and treatment efforts in connection with khat addicts in diaspora</i>
12.15-12.30	<i>DISCUSSION</i>
12.30	Lunch
14.00	Half-day excursion
19.00	Dinner
20.00-21.30	Poster Session 3: (3) Mental Health

Thursday 8th October

Session 4: Physical Health/Pharmacology

Chair: Prof. Mulham Al-Habori, Sana'a University, Yemen

09.00-09.45	Dr. Peter Kalix formerly University of Geneva, Switzerland <i>From the laboratory to the clinic: the pharmacological evaluation of Khat</i>
09.45-10.30	Prof. Dr. Ahmed Al-Motarreb Sana'a University, Yemen <i>Khat and physical health</i>
10.30-11.00	Coffee break
11.00-11.45	Prof. Dr. Ray Croucher Queen Mary University of London, UK <i>Oral Health and Khat Chewing: Reviewing and Addressing the Gaps</i>

Paper Presentations

11.45-12:00	Dr. Fikru Tesfaye Tullu Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia <i>Association of smoking and khat use with high blood pressure among adults in Addis Abbeba, Ethiopia</i>
12.00-12.15	Dr. Mohamed Al-Haroni Tromso University, Norway <i>In vitro antimicrobial and resistance-modifying activities of aqueous crude khat extracts against oral microorganisms</i>
12.15-12.30	Dr. Ochiba Mohammed Lukandu Ministry of Public Health and Sanitation, Kenya <i>Khat induces premature differentiation and keratinisation in reconstituted oral mucosa models</i>
12.30-12.45	DISCUSSION
12.45	Lunch
13:30-14:00	Poster Session 4: (4) Physical Health/Pharmacology

Session 5: The governance framework

Chair: Dr. Paul Griffith, EMCDDA, & Prof. Günther Schlee, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

14.00-14.45	Dr. Axel Klein University of Kent, UK <i>Regimes of regulation</i>
14.45-15.30	Dr. Julie Villora-Williams The World Bank, Washington <i>The alliance and partnership approach to address the khat-related problems in Yemen</i>
	Paper Presentation
15.30-15:45	John Corkery St. George's University of London, UK <i>The assessment of khat-related deaths in the UK</i>
15.45-16.00	DISCUSSION
16.00-16.30	Coffee break
16:30-17.30	Summary of working groups
17:30-18.00	Dr. Nasir Warfa Queen Mary University of London, UK <i>Reviewing the Evidence</i>

Session 6: Look Forward

Chair: Dr. Michael Odenwald, University of Konstanz, Germany

18:00	Keynote lecture Dr. Ezekiel Gebissa Kettering University, USA <i>The future of Khat in the Horn of Africa – a perspective</i>
18:30	Dr. Axel Klein Kent University, UK <i>A step ahead – Planning for the next khat conference</i>

19.00

Dinner

20:30 – 22:00

Poster Session 5

(5) Governance Framework

22.00

Closing

Friday 9th October

Breakfast and Departure