

MA Social Sciences and Public Affairs

9th Academic Research and Study Trip



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Republic of Namibia

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PROGRAM

Monday, 27 October

Arrival and First Encounters with Namibia

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| 07:20 | Arrival Flight LH 4298 from Munich (MUC) to Windhoek (WDH) |
| 08:00-09:00 | Bus transfer from Hosea Kutako International Airport to Hilton Garden Inn (Windhoek)

Reverend Michael Scott Street, Windhoek
https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/wdhwggi-hilton-garden-inn-windhoek |
| 10.30-12:30 | Historical-Political City Tour
Werner Hillebrecht (former Director of the Namibian National Archives) |
| 13:00-14:30 | Lunch
Restaurant NIMMS
(on the Top Floor of the Museum – with a spectacular view of the city) |
| 14:30-15.30 | Independence Memorial Museum (Guided Tour)
https://www.museums.com.na/museums/windhoek/independence-museum
59 Robert Mugabe Avenue |
| 15:30-17.00 | Check In (if not already possible in the morning) & little rest |

- 17:30-19:00 Discussion Meeting: *Forum Deutschsprachiger Namibier*, Harald Hecht/Benita Herma-Herrle
<https://www.forum-deutsch-namibier.org/>
 Venue: Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Namibia (223 Independence Ave)
- 19:00 Free Evening

Tuesday, 28 October

Diving deeper into Namibia's Socio-Cultural and Politico-Diplomatic Reality

- 09:00-10:30 Residence of the German Embassy
 (Ambassador H.E. Dr. Thorsten Hutter)
 16 Stauch Street, Klein Windhoek
- 11:30 -12:30 Delegation of the European Union to Namibia
 (Ambassador H.E. Ana Beatriz Martins)
 2 Newton Street, Windhoek
- 13:00-13:30 Transfer to Katutura
- 13:30-15:00 Lunch Break
Penduka Namibia (<https://www.penduka.com/>)
Women's Social Project enabling local ladies to earn their livelihood through handcrafting and selling merchandise as well as through touristical activities
 Green Mountain Dam Road, Goreangab, Katutura, Windhoek, Namibia
- 15:00-18.00 Katutura
 Exploration of the quarter originally built for racial segregation, forced resettlement from 1959 (Otjiherero name: "the place where we do not want to live")
- 19:00 Opening Dinner
 The Stellenbosch Wine Bar and Bistro, Shop 25, Bougain Villas, 320 Sam Nujoma Dr -
<https://www.thestellenboschwinebar.com/>
 Special Guests: German Defence Attaché, Head of the German Armed Forces Technical Assistance Group in Namibia and Members of the German Embassy
 Sponsored by: Deutscher Bundeswehrverband (DBwV) – Landesverband Süddeutschland

Wednesday, 29 October

Out into the Country: National Memory, Geography, and Economy

- 08:00 Check Out/Departure
- 8:30-09:15 Heroes Acre National Heritage Site: Cultures of Remembrance and National-Historical Narratives
- 9:15 Transfer to Walvis Bay via Namib Naukluft National Park
- 13:00-13:30 Stop in Namib Naukluft National Park and Dune 7
- 15:00-18:30 Walvis Bay
 - Walvis Bay's deep-water harbour and its strategic importance
 - Visit of the Rheinische Missionskirche: History of the Protestant mission in Southern Africa
 - Visit of the Walvis Bay Museum
 - The Lagoon: Biodiversity and wildlife protection
- 18:30 – 19.00 Travel to Swakopmund

19:00 Check-In: Hotel Prinzessin Rupprecht
15 Anton Lubowski Avenue

Thursday, 30 October

Colonial Namibia on the Mouth of the Swakop

8:45-13:00 Exploration of Swakopmund and its German colonial legacy
Nikola Fahrback (Expert on the town's history)

Swakopmund Museum (<https://sciswk.com/>)
Guided Tour with Nadine Phiri (Scientific Society Swakopmund)

Note: The two dates above will be held alternately in two groups of 14 people each

13:00 Lunch Break

15:00 Genocide Museum (Meeting with Laidlaw Peringanda)
13001, 2409 Deuteronomy Street, Swakopmund

16:00 Salt Pans (time permitting)

16:45-17:30 Kramerhof African Cemetery and Memorial of the Herero
Concentration Camp Swakopmund

Friday, 31 October

Colonial Histories – From Inhospitable Sand Dunes to Coveted Land

7:30 Travel to Brandberg Mountain

10:00-10:30 Uis: Logistical Stop (Brandberg White Lady Café and/or Supermarket)

11:00-13:30 Early Traces of African Civilization and Colonial Archaeology: The
Brandberg White Lady Paintings (Guided Tour)

13:30 Transfer to Outjo

14:00-15:00 Life-Worlds of the Only Semi-Nomadic People in Namibia: Visit of a
Ovahimba village (time permitting)

17:30 Visit of the Naulilaa-Monument, the German Military Cemetery, and
Outjo Museum (Franke-Haus)

18:30 Check-In: Etotongwe Lodge (Outjo)

Saturday, 1 November

Environmental Protection – from Colonial Project to Valued Commons

05:30 Transfer to Etosha, Anderson Gate (breakfast and lunch packs provided
by the lodge)

7:00-13:15 Safari Etosha National Park (including lunch break)

13:15 Transfer to Otjiwarongo

- 16:00-17:30 Cheetah Conservation Fund – Natural protection and social contexts
International Research and Education Centre/CCF Headquarters
D2440, Otjiwarongo, Namibia
<https://cheetah.org/>
- 18:00-18:20 Visit of the colonial narrow-gauge railway
- 18:30 Check-In: Out of Africa Town Lodge (Otjiwarongo)

Sunday, 2 November

German Colonial Presence and its Consequences

- 7:30 Departure for Waterberg
- 9:00-11:30 German Military Cemetery and Memorial
History Trail (battlefields of 1904 and the detention camp of 1906:
<https://www.waterberg-namibia.com/history.html>)
- 11:30 Transfer to Waterberg Guest Farm
- 12:30 – 14.00 Landownership, Farming, and Tourism: Working Lunch and Tour with
Harry Schneider-Waterberg at the Waterberg Guest Farm
- 14:00 Transfer to Windhoek
- 16:00 – 16:45 Stop in Okahandja (Gravesite of Orlam leader Jonker Afrikaner, +1861)
- 17:45 Check-In: Hilton Garden Inn (Windhoek)
- 19:00-20:00 OTL Lutz Beirich (Presentation, Q & A): The German Armed Forces
Technical Assistance Group in Namibia
Hilton Hotel
- 20:30 Farewell Dinner
Joe's Bierhaus, 160 Nelson Mandela Ave, Windhoek

Monday, 3 November

Namibian Politics – Presence and Future

- 9:00-11:00 Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung: Panel Discussion “Democracy and Rule of
Law in Namibia”
Roundtable: Prof. Lesley Blaauw, Hon. Inna Hengari, MP - Economist
Mutual Tower, 7th Floor, P.O. Box 1145, 223 Independence Avenue, Windhoek
- 11:45-13:30 Visit of the Parliament of Namibia
Ink Palace, 14A Love Street, Windhoek
- 13:30-14:15 Lunch-Break (Parliament Restaurant)
- 14:30-16.00 Remembrance and Shaping (Erinnern und Gestalten)
Dennis Schröder (Head of Goethe-Institute Windhoek)
- 17:00 Transfer to Windhoek Airport
- 20:40 Departure from Windhoek Airport (with LH 4299)