

Africa and Europe Moving Forward - Evidence-based Solution for African Development

In cooperation with the GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies, Leuphana University Lüneburg hosted the conference "Africa and Europe Moving Forward - Evidence-based Solutions for African Development" in its central building from 24.01. to 26.01.2019. The three-day conference included a poster session, keynotes, twelve thematic sessions and a workshop. The program was conducted by Prof. Dr. Michael Gielnik, Prof. Dr. Michael Frese, Prof. Zenda Ofir and Markus Goldstein and dealt with questions on the networking of practical procedures and scientific findings as well as their methodical evaluation and long-term knowledge transfer. In addition to the conference, former German President Horst Köhler gave a guest lecture on Africa and European relations. The aim of the conference was to make a significant contribution to improving African-European cooperation through evidence-based approaches.

In order to achieve this goal, it became clear at the international conference that evidence-based approaches and application-oriented perspectives are essential for sustainable development and cooperation. Successes and evaluation must be used for sustainable learning in order to live up to the responsibility for transformative development. In this way, scientists from all over the world can achieve a change in perspectives and ways of thinking and a better integration between research, monitoring and evaluation can be made possible.

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