

ETHIOPIAWINET CONFERENCE

Ethiopia from Many to One: Deconstructing Ethnic Federalism

Schedule of Events

Saturday, October 15, 2022

9:00 am to 5:30 pm EST

Opening Statement: 9:00 am to 9:20 am EST

Dr. Erku Yimer, President of Ethiopiawinet: *The “Urgency of Now” in Ethiopia’s State of the State*

9:20 am: Call Panel I to Order and Introduce Moderator (Dr. Erku)

Panel I: State of the State of Ethiopia, 9:20 am to 1:00 pm EST

1. Professor Almaz Zewde, Professor of Sociology, Howard University, Moderator: *Introductory Remarks and Introduction of Speakers* (9:20–9:30)
2. Professor Messay Kebede, Professor of Philosophy, U of Dayton, *State of the State of Ethiopia (Panel I: topics 1a&b&c)* (9:30-9:55)
Q and A (9:55-10:05)
3. Professor Haile Larebo, Professor of History, School of Oriental and African Studies, Morehouse College, State of the State of Ethiopia (*Panel I: topic 2*) (10:05-10:30)
Q and A (10:30-10:40)
4. Professor Teshome Abebe, Professor Laureate, Professor of Economics, Eastern Illinois University, State of the State of Ethiopia (*Panel I: topic 3*) (10:40-11:05)
Q and A (11:05-11:15)
5. H.E. Ato Marsie Ejigu, Former Minister of Planning, GOE, State of State of Ethiopia (*Panel I: topic 4*) (11:15-11:40)
Q and A (11:40-12:00)
6. Professor Minga Negash, Professor of Accounting, Metropolitan State University, Denver, Panel I 1st Discussant (12:00-12:15)
7. H. E. Ato Takalign Gedamu, Former Minister of Planning, GOE, Panel I 2nd Discussant (12:15-12:30)

Questions from the Floor on State of the State (12:30-1:30)

Break: 1:30 pm to 2:00 pm.

2:00 pm: Call Panel II to Order and Introduce Moderator (Dr. Erku)

Panel II: The Ethiopian Constitution, 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm EST

1. Professor Berhanu Abegaz, Professor of Economics and Chair, Department of Economics, College of William and Mary, Moderator: *Introductory Remarks and Introduction of Speakers* (2:00-2:10)
2. Professor Alemante Gebre Selassie, Professor Emeritus of Law, College of William and Mary, (*Panel II: topic 1abc*) (2:10-2:35)
Q and A (2:35-2:45)
3. Ato Abera Yemane-ab, Former Executive in Various units of GOE, (*Panel II: topic 2*) (2:45-3:10)
Q and A (3:10-3:20)
4. Professor Solomon Gashaw, Professor, Social Science Department, University of Minnesota, Morris, (*Panel II: topic 3ab*) (3:20-3:45)
Q and A (3:45-3:55)
5. Ato Dereje Demissie Bulto, Attorney at Law, Panel II Discussant (3:55-4:10)

Questions from the Floor on the Constitution (4:10-5:10)

Closing Remarks: 5:10 pm to 5:30 pm

Dr. Erku Yimer, President of Ethiopiawinet: *The Way Forward*