

BIGSAS Alumni Conference 2018
The Future of African Studies Scholars in Africa and Abroad

**Tue, 30 October:**

Night/morning: Arrival in Addis Ababa

Afternoon: Visit to Addis Ababa University, with a visit to the University Museum and the Institute of Ethiopian Studies

**Wed, 31 October:**

09:00 – 12:00: Plenary Session: Welcoming and opening speeches

12:00 – 14:00: Lunch Break

14:00 – 17:30:

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(15:30 – 16:00: Coffee Break)
17:30 – 18:30: Poster Exhibition: Future Prospects of the BIGSAS Alumni

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<td>(Jennifer Scheffler)</td>
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14:00 – 18:00: Plenary Session: Wrap up session with recommendations for the next alumni conference and closing remarks

Fri, 02 November:

06:30 – 22:00: Travel to Abijatta-Shalla National Park with dinner together

Sat, 03 November:

Departure from Addis Ababa