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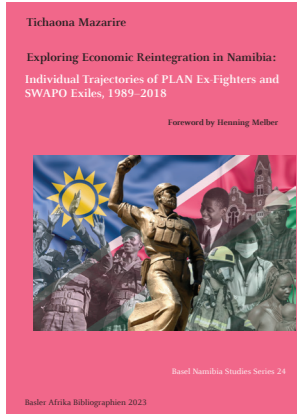
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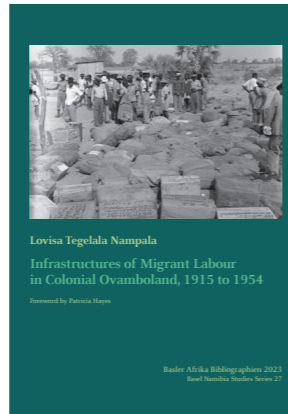


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**Exploring Economic Re-integration in Namibia**  
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*Exploring Economic Reintegration in Namibia: Individual Trajectories of PLAN Ex-Fighters and SWAPO Exiles, 1989–2018* draws from life histories to present constraints and possibilities that have shaped former SWAPO exiles’ economic reintegration in post-colonial Namibia from 1989 through 2018. The book advances three arguments, each of which pushes beyond existing scholarship on Namibia and/or economic reintegration broadly. Collectively, these arguments challenge dominant narratives that have generalized former SWAPO exiles’ economic reintegration experiences, highlighting that there is no single narrative that can describe their unique life stories of reintegration in the post-colony.

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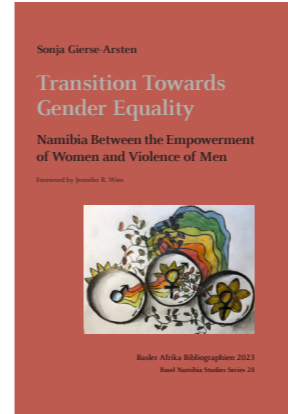


**Lovisa Tegelala Nampala**  
**Infrastructures of Migrant Labour in Colonial Ovamboland, 1915 to 1954**

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Most research on the migrant labour system in Namibia under South African colonial rule emphasises its dehumanising aspects. In a complete contrast, this study highlights the social and ritual resources that contract workers and their families in colonial Ovamboland mobilised to provide forms of support and connection across great distances and absences. Based on extensive oral research, this study peels back the layers of intangible infrastructure that sustained migrant workers through all the stages of their contract, including observances around workplace deaths. This thesis vividly demonstrates the persistence of older practices that sustained the bonds of life, fellowship and family under stress, as well as adaptation to a new colonial system such as the postal system.

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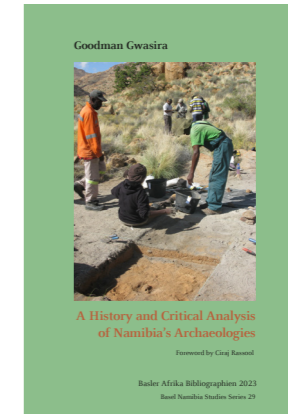


**Sonja Gierse-Arsten**  
**Transition Towards Gender Equality**  
 Namibia Between the Empowerment of Women and Violence of Men

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Worldwide, Namibia ranks high regarding gender equality. However, many women are intimidated by violence perpetrated by men. This book is based on a social anthropological field research in the small town of Outjo, situated in Northern Central Namibia, over a period of 14 months. Gender is learnt, lived and reproduced in a societal frame. Violence against women, too, is perpetrated by men in a societal context. By using mainly qualitative research methods Sonja Gierse-Arsten looks at male and female perspectives to reach a holistic understanding and to provide a basis for sustainable changes towards equal gender relations. She traces the transition from a hierarchical gender system during colonial times to the aspired equal gender relations in present Namibia. Current challenges characterised by poverty and great economic inequalities form the framework in which gender is performed and violence perpetrated. This study offers inspirations to re-think gender, to reach substantive gender equality and to overcome the normalisation of violence.

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**Goodman Gwasira**  
**A History and Critical Analysis of Namibia's Archaeologies**

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The political, social and institutional settings in which archaeology was introduced in Namibia are examined in this study. The Author re-examines the idea of archaeology as a scientific and objective discipline that could be practiced without input from the knowledge systems of local communities. He further problematises the use of archaeology as a discipline of knowledge of the land, as part of the extension of empire and governance over the people, in settings of deep and multiple colonialisms. The author therefore argues that archaeological practice was a form of ordering and governing people in a settler colony, thus, the decolonisation of archaeology must involve the work of undoing the structures of colonialism and include local knowledge. This book is a contribution to the fields of archaeology, history and heritage studies in Namibia.

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