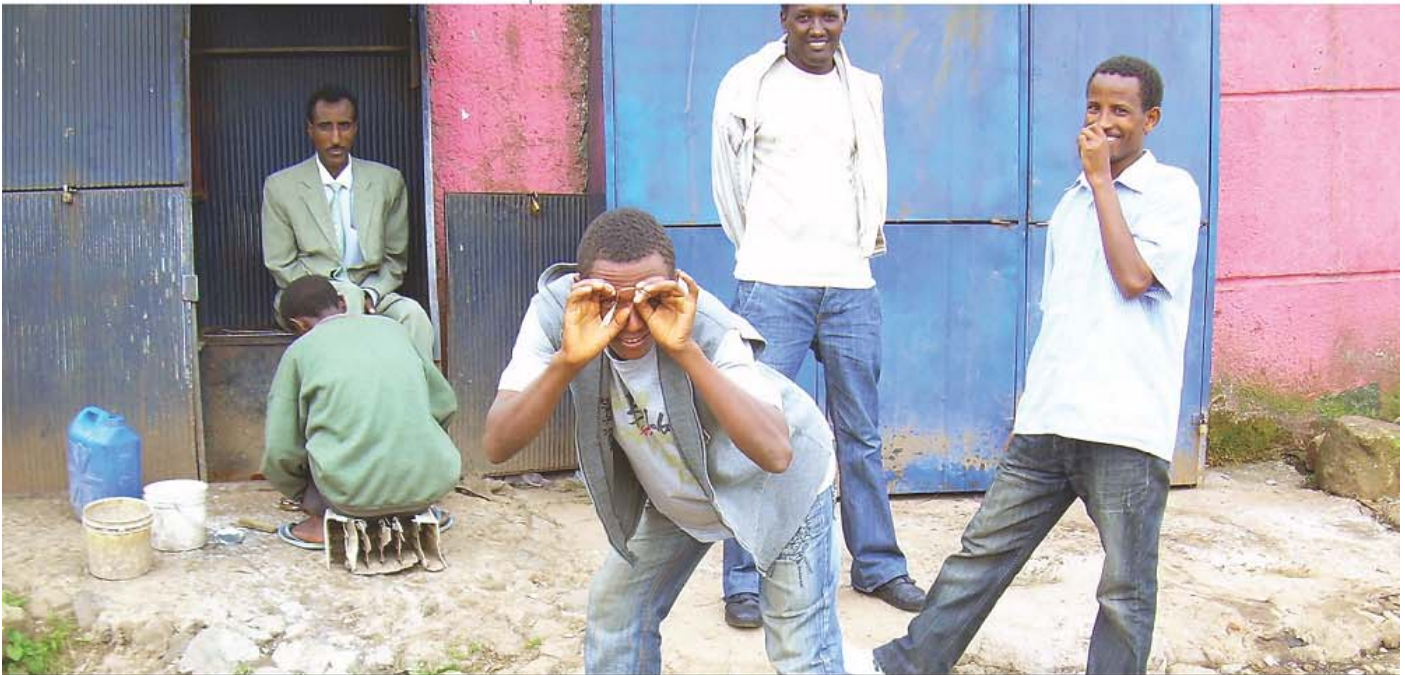




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Created in 1995, the African Studies Group (GEA for Grupo de Estudios Africanos in Spanish) is a research group registered at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid since 2006. It gathers researchers from several Spanish and foreign universities, as well as PhD students and other specialists on Africa.

Since its inception, the GEA's main purpose has been to promote African Studies in Spain from a critical and multidisciplinary perspective, covering an area of research that had been neglected for a long time in our country. The GEA has also constituted itself as an analysis, debate and divulgation center, being the first to offer a postgraduate course on African Studies in Spain, and has connected researchers specialized in Sub-Saharan Africa at the national and international levels.

### RESEARCH

#### Political economy of natural resources

This line of research analyses the effects of resource extraction in Africa on local populations due to the growing geo-economic and geostrategic relevance of the continent.

#### Conflicts and peacebuilding

Researchers in this cluster study the causes and dynamics of conflicts in Sub-Saharan Africa and the impact of the international liberal peacebuilding agenda in the continent.

#### International development aid

Research focuses on the global development agenda in Africa since the end of the Cold War, with special attention to health cooperation and the Spanish development policy.

#### Sub-Saharan migrations

Researchers in this cluster work on the causes and consequences of African migrations, within and from the continent, and their links to the local and global political and economic processes affecting the continent.

#### Regional integration and rural development

This research area focuses on the economic and political integration processes, their links with global trends and policies such as the European Partnership Agreements and their impact on rural development.

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS


### CONSULTANCY

The GEA has carried out studies, consultancies and has provided technical advice to public and private institutions, on areas related to our research, such as regional integration, human rights, peacebuilding, and aid policies impact.

We have worked for the Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores y Cooperación, the Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional para el Desarrollo, Fundación Mujeres por África, Organización Internacional del Trabajo, and the Government of Angola, among others.

### TEACHING

The GEA offers courses at both the graduate and postgraduate level. In addition to our Doctoral Program we highlight two of our regular programs:

- Master in International Relations and African Studies, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (since 2000)
- Introductory Course to the African Reality (since 1999)

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