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# 1<sup>st</sup> Inaugural Lecture

Conceptualizing Peace, Security, and Development: A Critical Discourse

> Main Campus MCU 001

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Time: 2.00pm-4.00pm

Programme

Time	Activity
2.00 pm – 2.15 pm	Members seated
2.15 pm - 2.30 pm	Presenter escorted by the procession
2.30 pm – 3.00 pm	MMUST Vice Chancellor introduces the Presenter, Prof. Frank K. Matanga
3.00 pm – 4.00 pm	The Inaugural Lecture Presentation: CONCEPTUALIZING PEACE, SECURITY, AND DEVELOPMENT: A CRITICAL DISCOURSE
4.00pm-4.20pm	Photo session
4.20pm	Guests leave at their own pleasure

## **INAUGURAL LECTURE**

#### CONCEPTUALIZING PEACE, SECURITY, AND DEVELOPMENT: A CRITICAL DISCOURSE

#### ABSTRACT

This Inaugural Lecture is essentially a product and extension of the long old-age debates about development and its complex interlinkages with the concepts of peace and security. These three concepts are dynamic and in a constant state of flux. Thus, are not time-bound, being part and parcel of the evolving humanity as they continuously define relations between and among individuals, informal groups, communities and states across the globe.

This lecture critically examines the three concepts as they unfold in the context of the changing times as dictated to by the post-Cold War realities of the late 20<sup>th</sup> Century and the early 21<sup>st</sup> Century. The Horn of Africa, in particular, Ethiopia and Somalia, are employed as case studies in a comparative perspective arising from their relatively contrasting peace, security and development conditions to illustrate the commanding influence of peace and security on the existing development rates.

Overall, the lecture demonstrates and justifies two concluding observations. The emerging importance of the analysis of political aspects on/of development process, and thus the significance of Development Politics as an emerging sub-field of Political Science; and the increasing significance of the disciplines of Peace and Conflict Studies and Development Studies, and the priority of establishing research Institutes for Peace, Security, and Development (IPSAD) in our Third World Institutions in order to address the complex problems, challenges and opportunities relating to the development process.