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Leadership Turnover in Africa: Elections, Social Movements, and Mortality



This symposium considers African elections that take place shortly after irregular, potentially destabilizing events, such as when presidents get sick and die in office or when citizens take to the streets in anti-government demonstrations. Under these exceptional circumstances, do elections and rules of succession regulate leadership turnover and peaceful transitions of power? What impact do these events have on citizens' political participation? This symposium will provide answers to these questions and further insights into recent political change in Africa.

Panelists:

Kim Yi Dionne, Smith College

“Presidential Deaths and Elections: Comparing Contemporary Zambia and Malawi”

Takashi Nagatsuji, Waseda University

“Electoral Participation in Authoritarian Regimes: The Impact of Social Movements in Africa”

Moderator:

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