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This panel has two main aims. One group of papers examines practical barriers to the inclusion of African scholarship in international studies. They study the operation of large grant-funded research centers, course outlines in social sciences at the best-resourced universities, and the neglected role of diasporic Afro-intellectuals beyond the academy. Other papers explore tensions between African and international thought, one focusing on how Julius Nyerere's anti-colonialism did (and did not) accommodate itself to a world of nation-states, and the other seeking a uniquely African philosophical grounding for Africa's international affairs.

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