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**Region-building in Africa: Patterns and Prospects**

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[Abstract]

In Africa, the coexistence of distinctive ‘threads’ of regionalism shapes the interplay between regionalism as a project and regionalisation as a process. The most visible outcome does not simply result in the coexistence of overlapping institutional projects. The entanglement of institutionally driven blueprints with network-led dynamics contributes to shape the regional landscape in a powerful manner. This offers a reminder that in Africa, as in Europe or Asia, the ‘world of regions’ is underscored by a world of regionalisms.

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