

Trapped Burundian Youth: Facing Prejudice and Bias in Historical Research on Post-independence Burundi.

Contribution to the 2025 Workshop

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“ Participating in the post-independence history of Burundi is still a challenge for Burundian youth. Many factors make this task hard and revolve around their personal experiences. These past and present political systems have transformed some narratives for personal interests to the detriment of collective interests, and there are trust issues between people of different ethnicities. All these factors are hurdles to the youth willing to know or write objectively about post-independence events. Nevertheless, there is still hope of reaching the stage of seeking impartial truth...”

