

## Visual Securitization

How African AIDS Treatment Reconfigures Sovereignty

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Centre for Advanced Security Theory (CAST) has the pleasure to invite you to a research seminar with Professor Michael C. Williams

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## A CAST Research Seminar

### with Professor Michael C. Williams

**Tuesday, 15 June 2010, 9.00-14.00**

In 2003, in one of the most quoted articles on the Copenhagen School, "Words, Images, Enemies: Securitization and International Politics", Michael C. Williams called for 'an examination of the ways in which images themselves may function as communicative acts, an analysis of how meaning is conveyed by images, as well as an assessment of how images interact with more familiar forms of verbal rhetoric' and for theorizing how images 'impact on different audiences, and the securitizing consequences that may follow from this fact'.

Michael C. Williams is currently a Visiting Researcher at CAST, and we are using this opportunity to ask what has, or should, happen to bring images and media to the Copenhagen School. Michael C. Williams will open the discussion as a special discussant on 3 papers which approach visual securitization from different theoretical and empirical angles.

#### PROGRAM

09.00 - 09.15 **Opening remarks:**  
**Visual Securitization at CAST**  
Professor Lene Hansen, KU

09.15 - 09.30 **Opening remarks:**  
**Why Visual Securitization**  
Professor Michael C. Williams

09.30 - 10.30 **"Taking Security Studies from the Word to the Image: Visual Securitization and the Muhammed Cartoon Crisis"**  
Professor Lene Hansen, KU

10.30 - 10.45 **Coffee**

10.45 - 11.45 **"When Citizen Journalism Sets the News Agenda: Neda Agha Soltan as a Web 2.0 Icon of Post-Election Unrest in Iran"**  
Assistant Professor, Mette Mortensen,  
Film and Media Studies, KU

11.45 - 12.45 **"Anthro-Politics and Development: How African AIDS treatment Reconfigures Sovereignty"**  
Professor Lisa Richey, RUC

12.45 - 13.00 **Concluding remarks**  
Professor Michael C. Williams and  
Lene Hansen

13.00 - 14.00 **Lunch**

#### Format

All papers are taken as read and circulated to participants a week before the seminar

#### Practical information

The workshop takes place in the lunch hall, room 4.2.26  
University of Copenhagen  
Department of Political Science  
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See [www.cast.ku.dk](http://www.cast.ku.dk)

The workshop will be in English

Participation is free of charge

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