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Strategic Trends Programme
Regional Survey – Africa out to 2045



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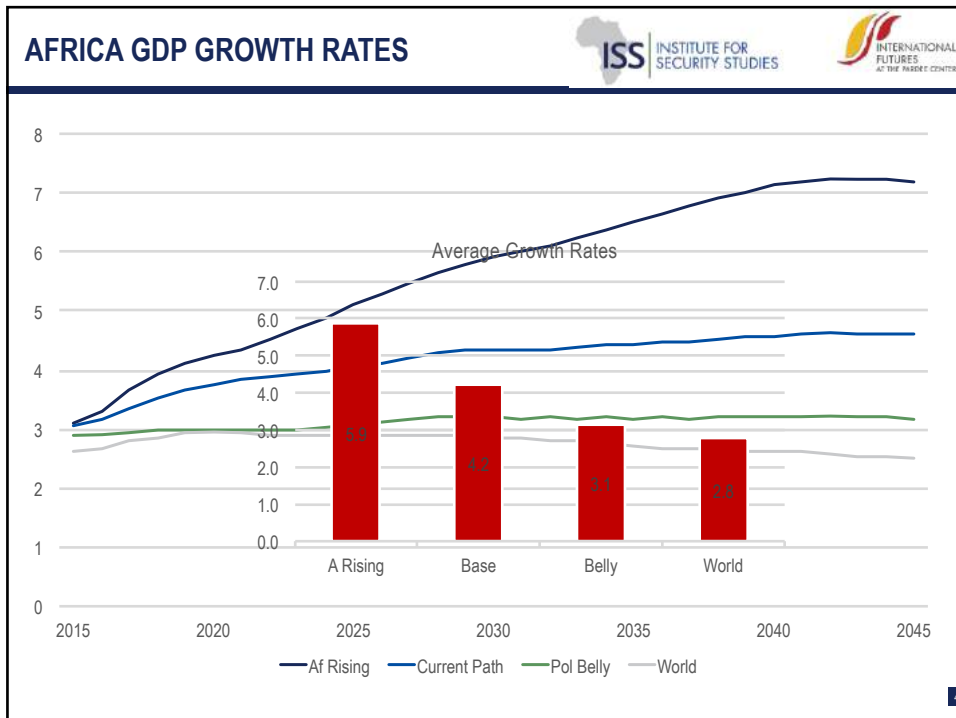
Will be using the International Futures forecasting system (IFs) for the modelling, data from ACLED, Freedom House and Polity IV

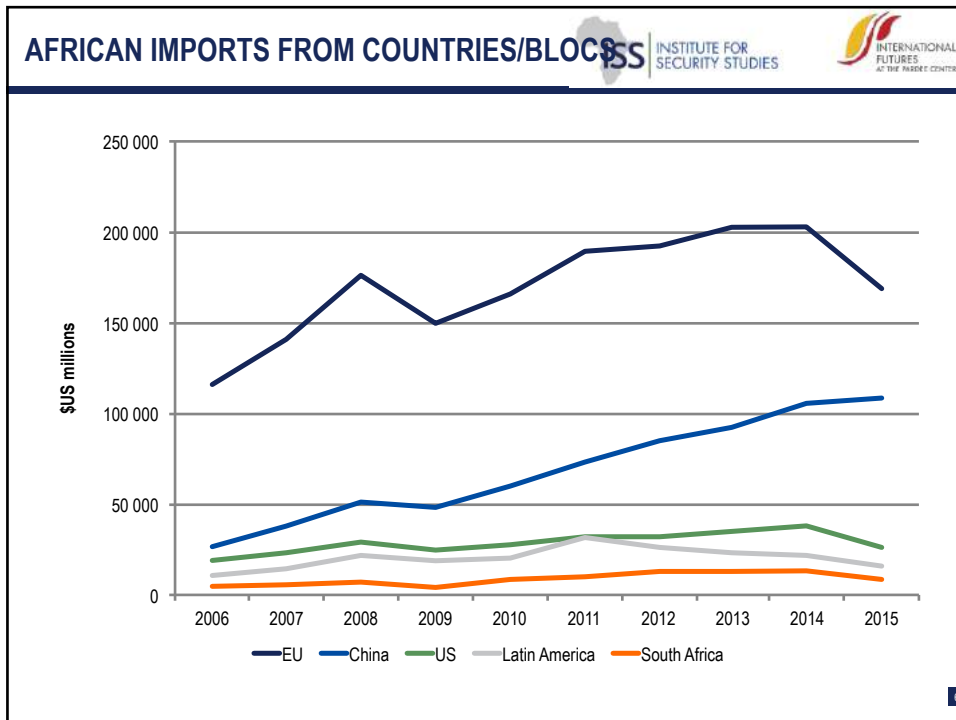
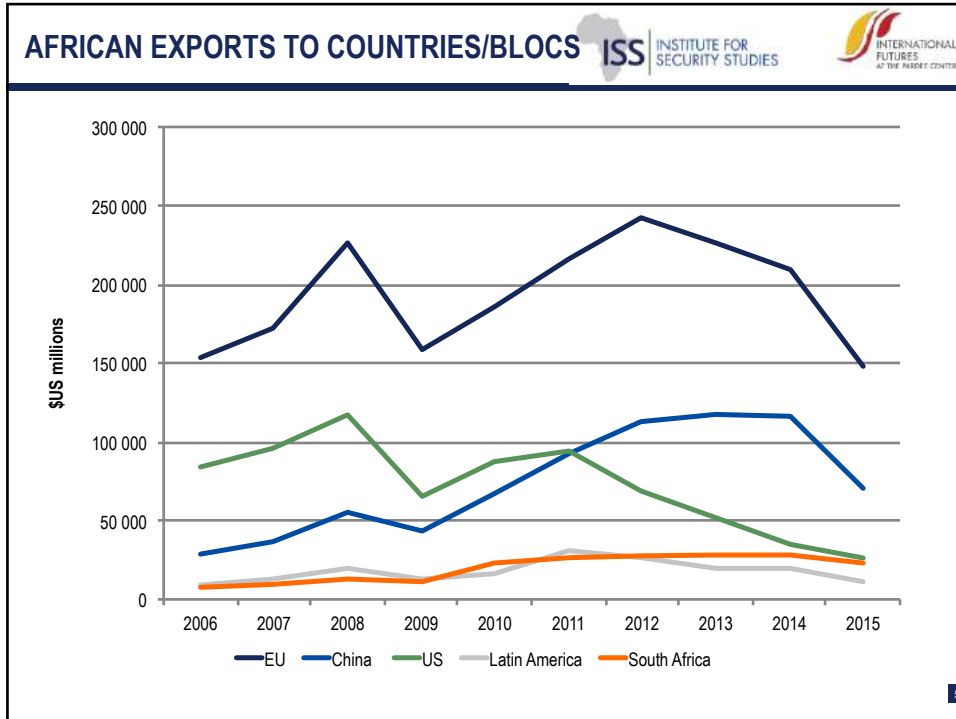
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FRAMING SCENARIOS



Politics of the Belly	Dimension	Africa Rising
On consumption, for urban elites and their interests	Government expenditure	On education, health and infrastructure, to alleviate poverty, reduce inequality
Informal sector balloons, services expand, subsistence agriculture, inequality increases	Economy	Growth in manufacturing, formal sector expands, larger tax base, green revolution, inclusive growth
Urban enclaves, centralized management	Spatial approach	Rural development and urban planning, metro governments and greater authority to sub-nationa
Authoritarian regression, incumbents manipulate system, personalization of power, ethnic & populist mobilization	Politics	4th Wave of Democracy, term limits, regular free/fair/comp elections, institutions matter
Terrorism, election violence, resource competition	Violence	Steady reduction, effective peacekeeping and conflict mediation
Beggar thy neighbour policies	Regional policies	Meaningful sub-regional integration that expands
Global tension, sphere of influence competition	International	Growth in all trading partners
Protectionist, lever open African access	Trade policies	Allows Africa ability to protect and grow its infant industries and business

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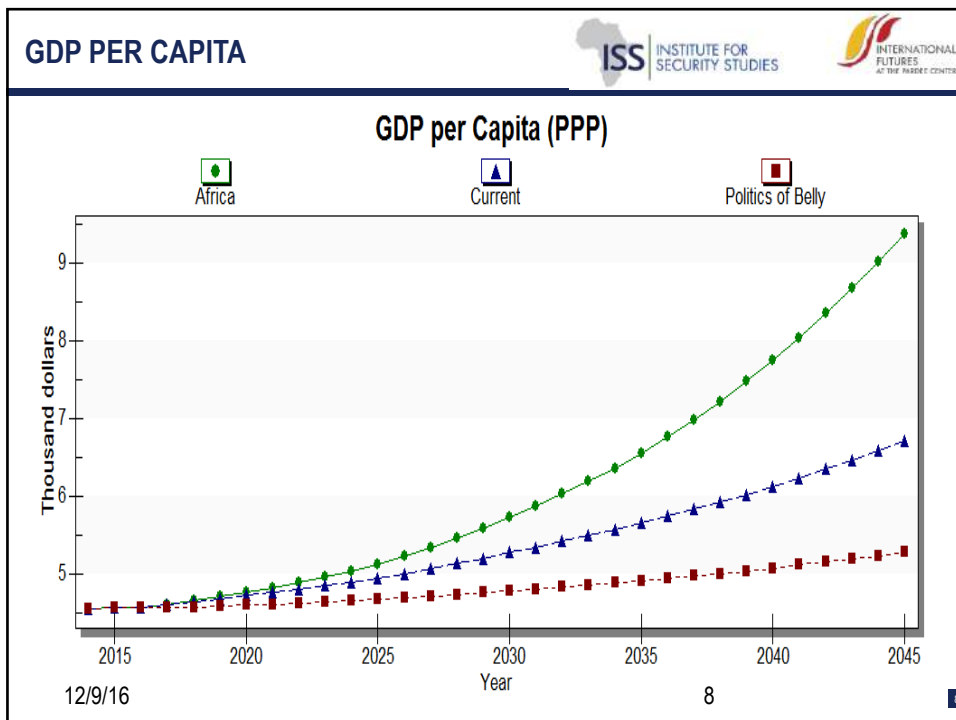


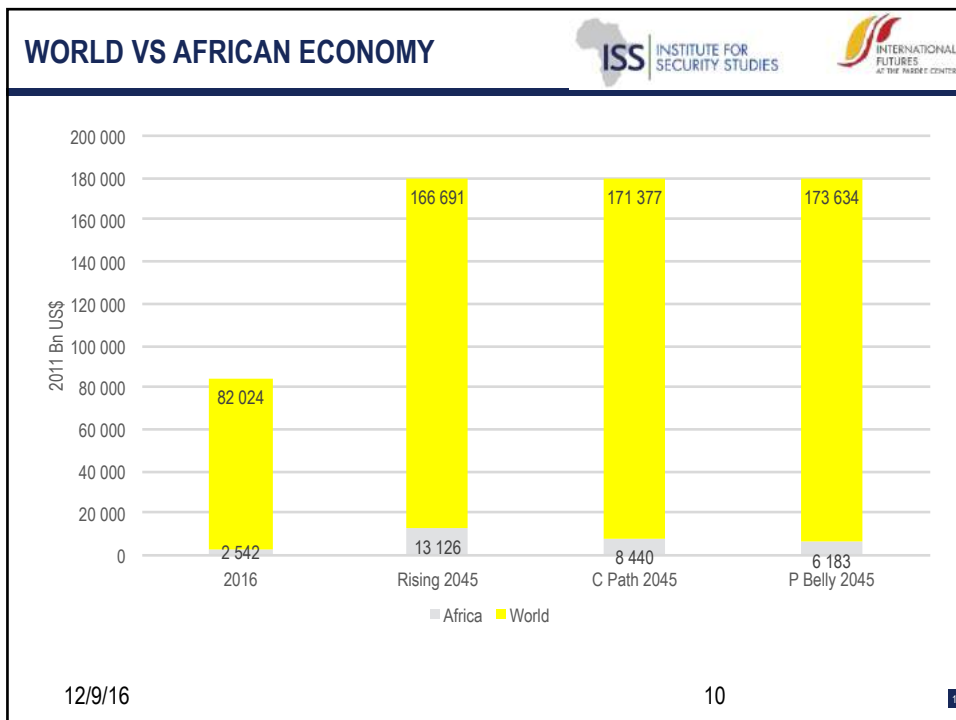
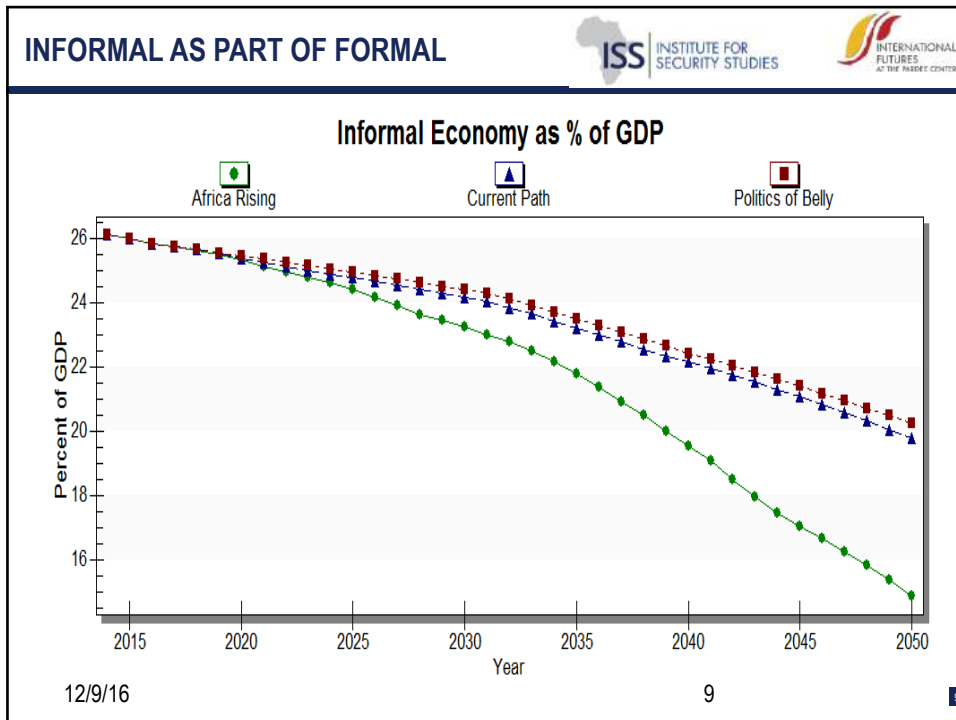
TOP 5 TRADING PARTNERS, EU- AFRICA/CHINA-AFRICA

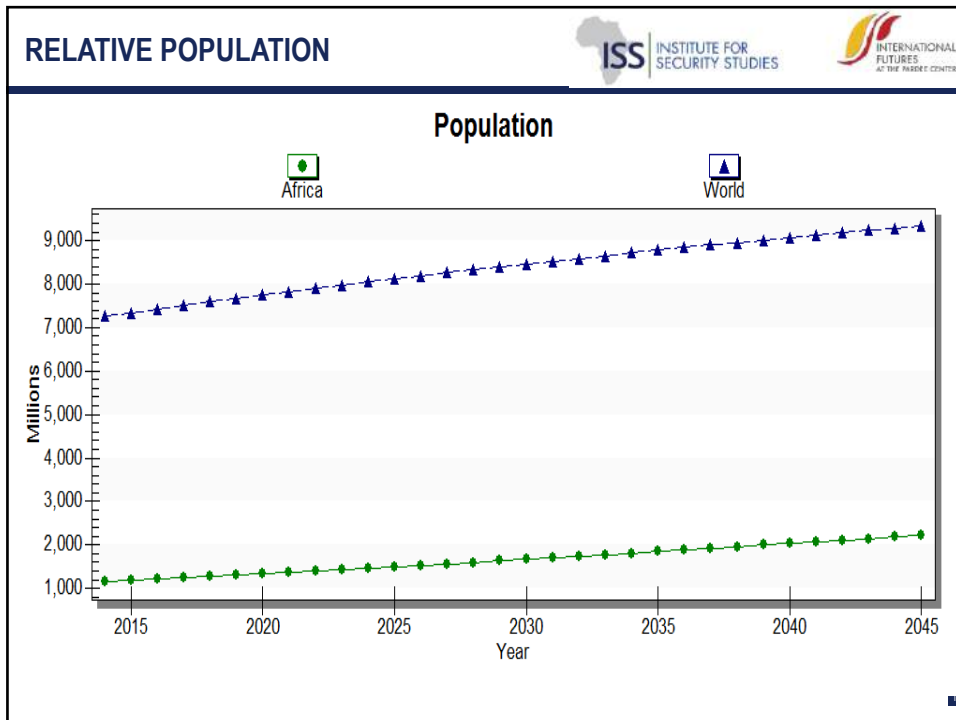
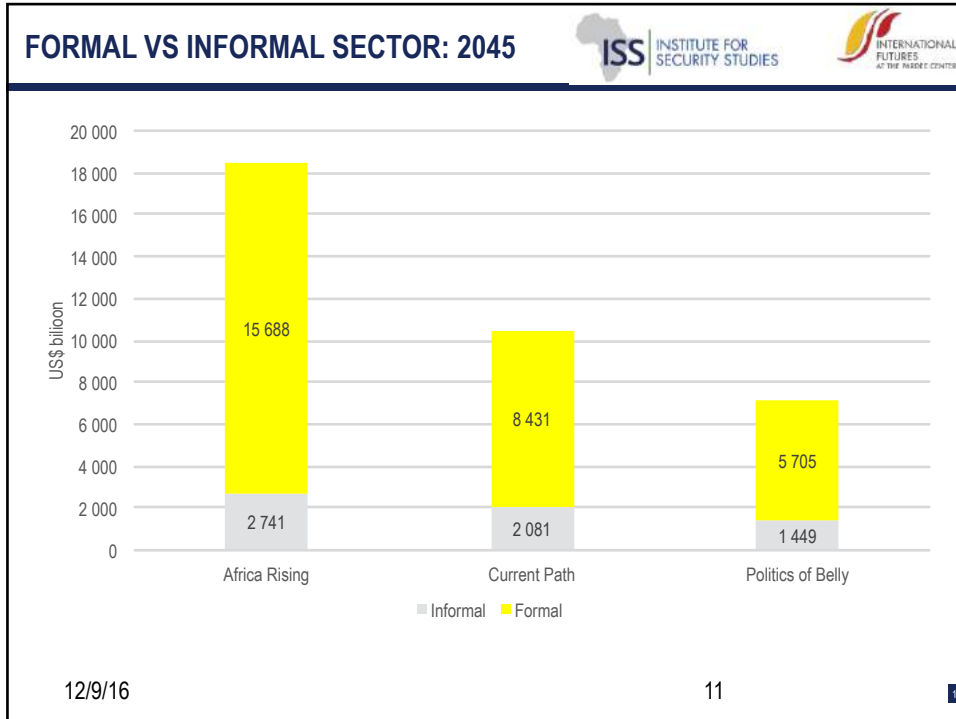



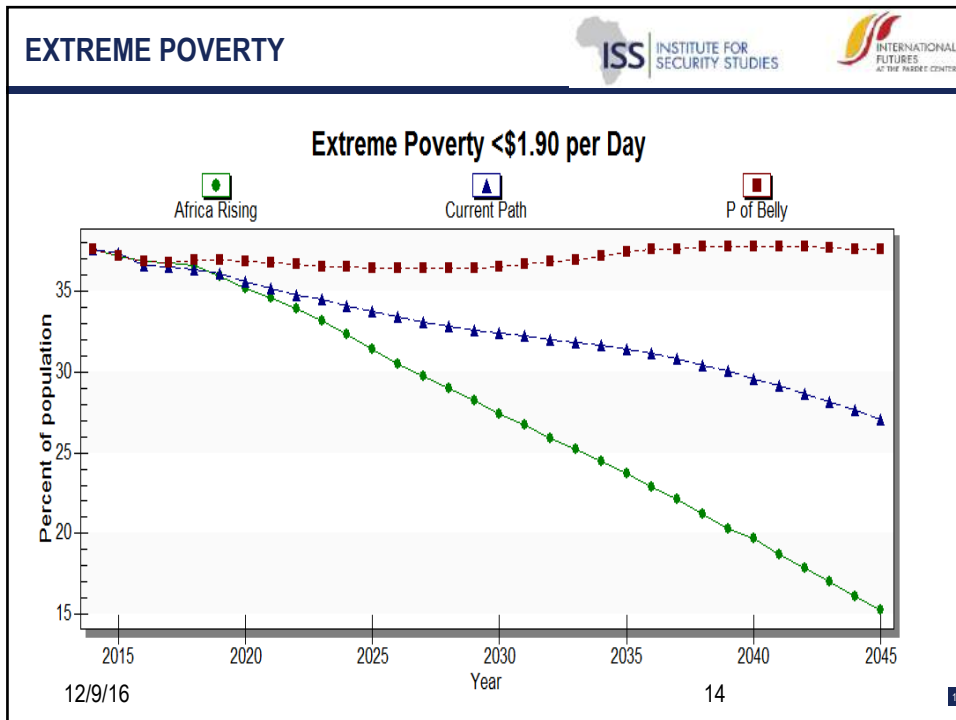
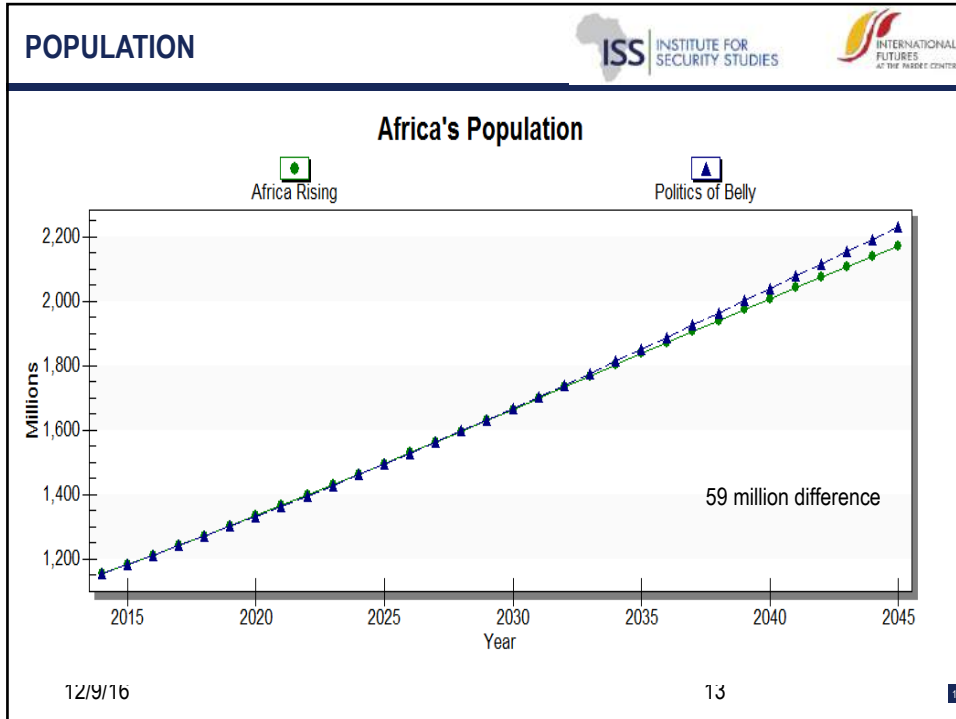
EU exports	EU imports	China exports	China imports
Algeria	South Africa	South Africa	South Africa
South Africa	Algeria	Angola	Nigeria
Nigeria	Egypt	Sudan (North and South)	Egypt
Morocco	Morocco	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Algeria
Tunisia	Nigeria	Congo Brazaville	Kenya


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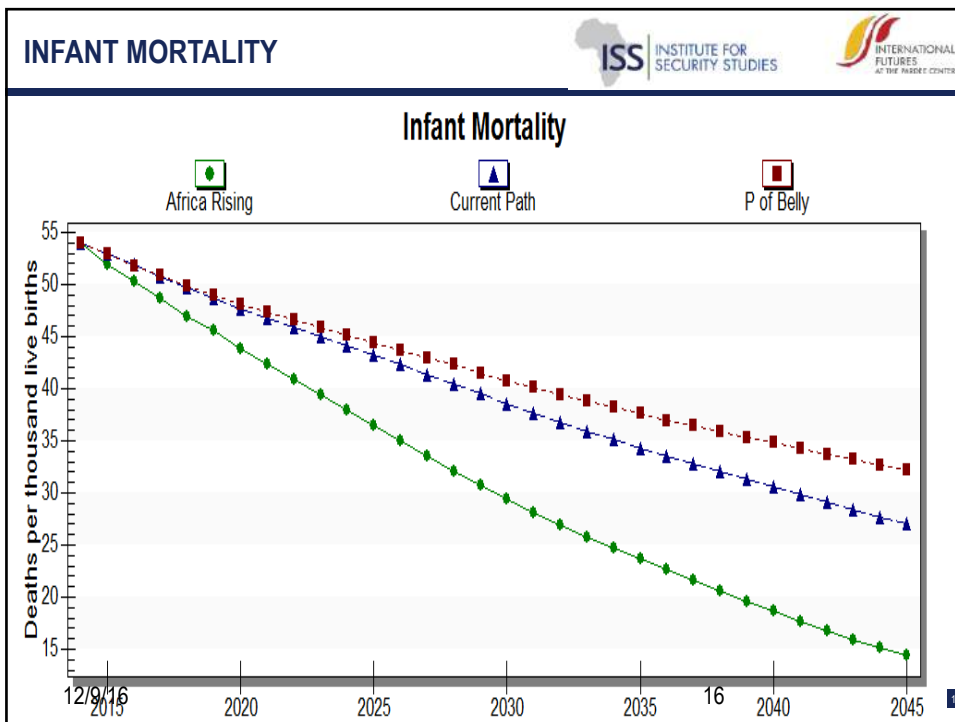


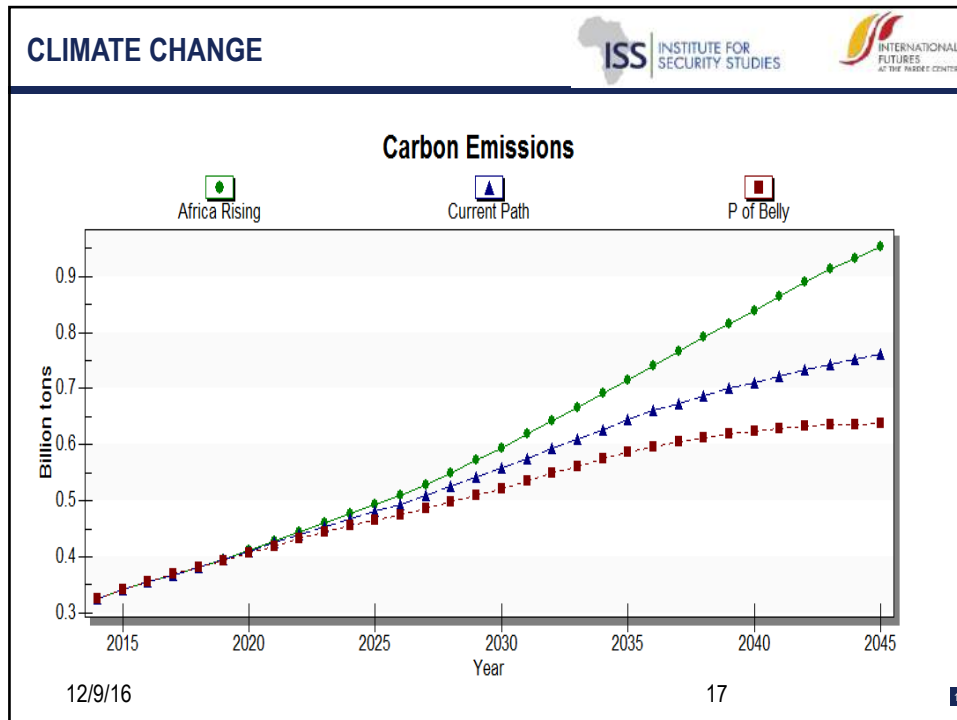


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- By 2045 the average years of education for Africa's 2.2 bn people would have increased from 5.2 years in 2016 to 7.2 years (Africa Rising)
- In 2016 78% of children of school going age attend primary school. By 2046 this could achieve 100% (Africa Rising) or be as low as 92% (Politics of the Belly)
- By 2045 69% (Africa Rising) of children who enter upper secondary school could complete schooling whereas only 28% complete in 2016
- In 2016 only 7% of Africans of the relevant age group complete tertiary education. By 2045 this could be as high as 22% (Africa Rising) or 11 % (Politics of the Belly)

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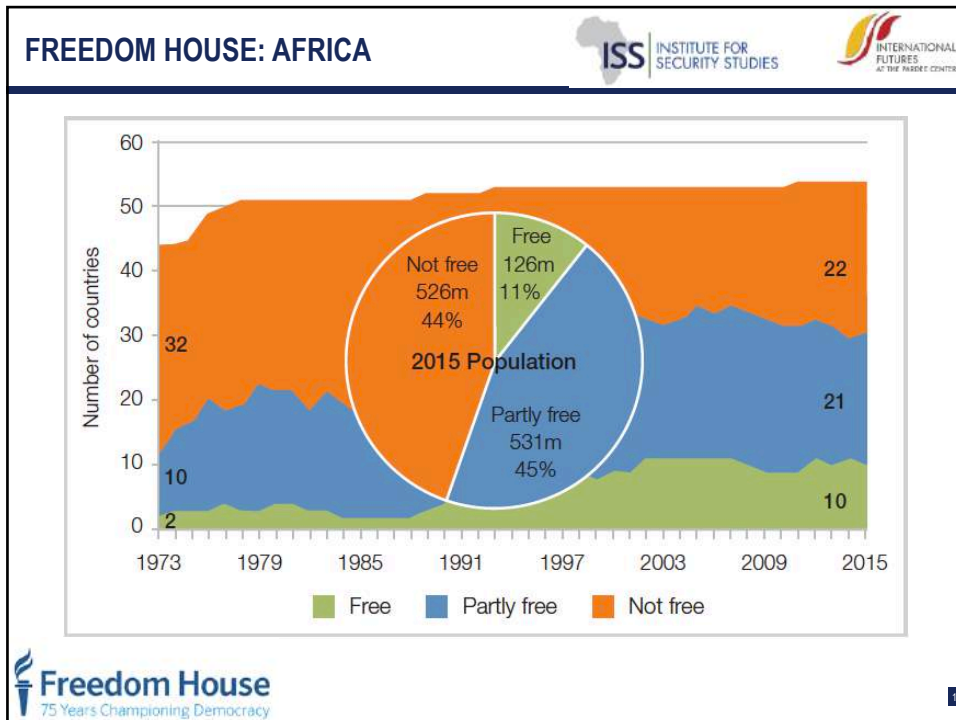
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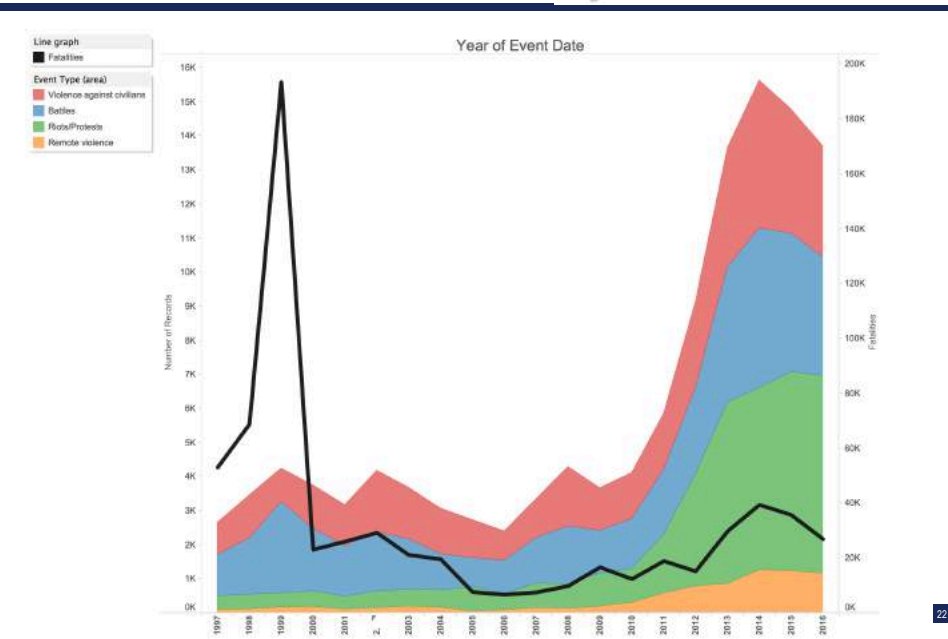
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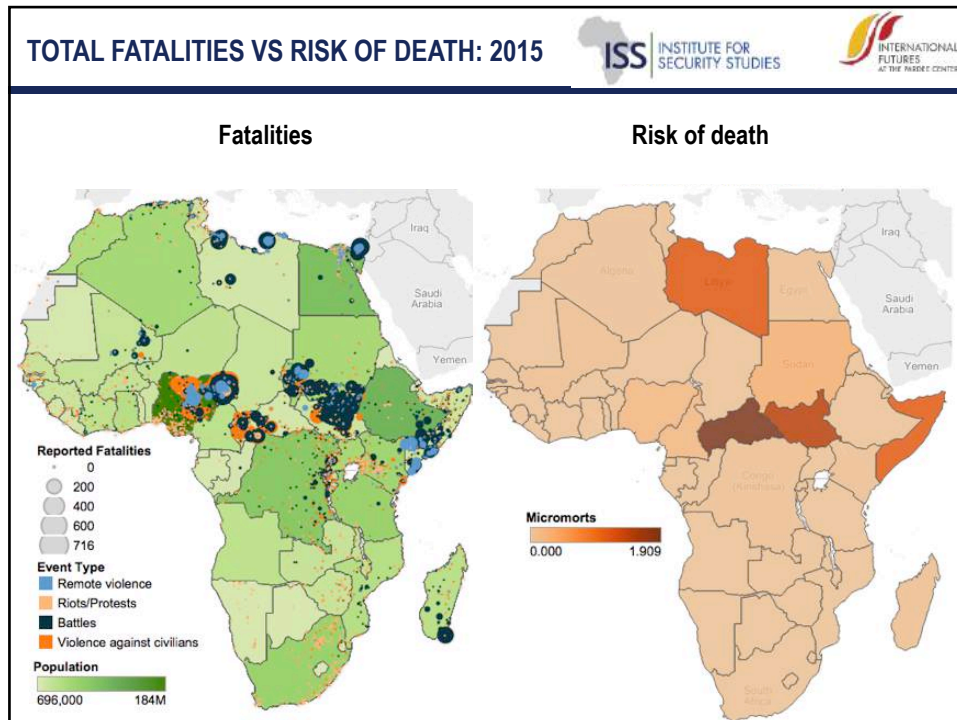
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EVENTS VS FATALITIES



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THE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE WITH DEMOCRACY



An intrinsic 'good' but democracy has been undermined by:

- Association with neo-liberal economic policies
- Western support to dictators and authoritarian states
- Weakness of the African state - process of delayed state formation - African states simultaneously have to provide security, develop capacity and become more inclusive

Neopatrimonialism has adapted to democracy – African elites go through motions of elections but frustrate the essence

Rise of China vs relative decline in influence of Africa's traditional development partners – African elites (again) have alternatives

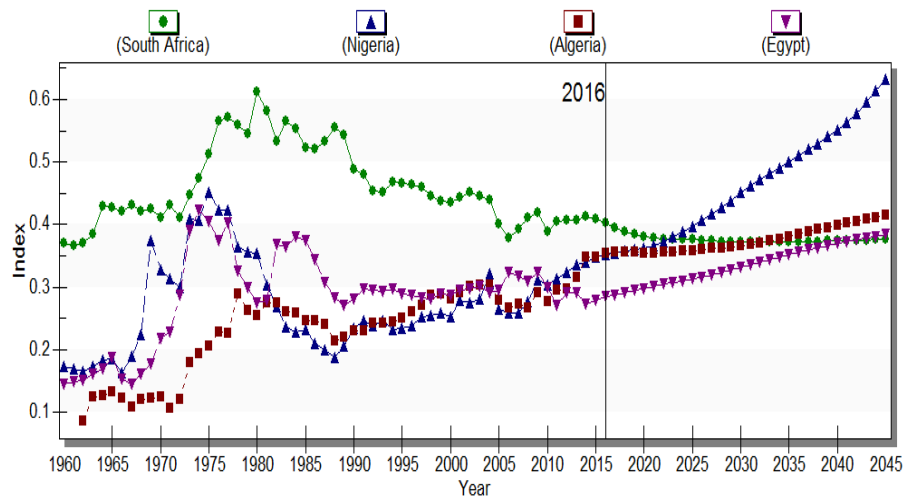
But hugely popular (Afrobarometer)

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LEADERSHIP IN AFRICA



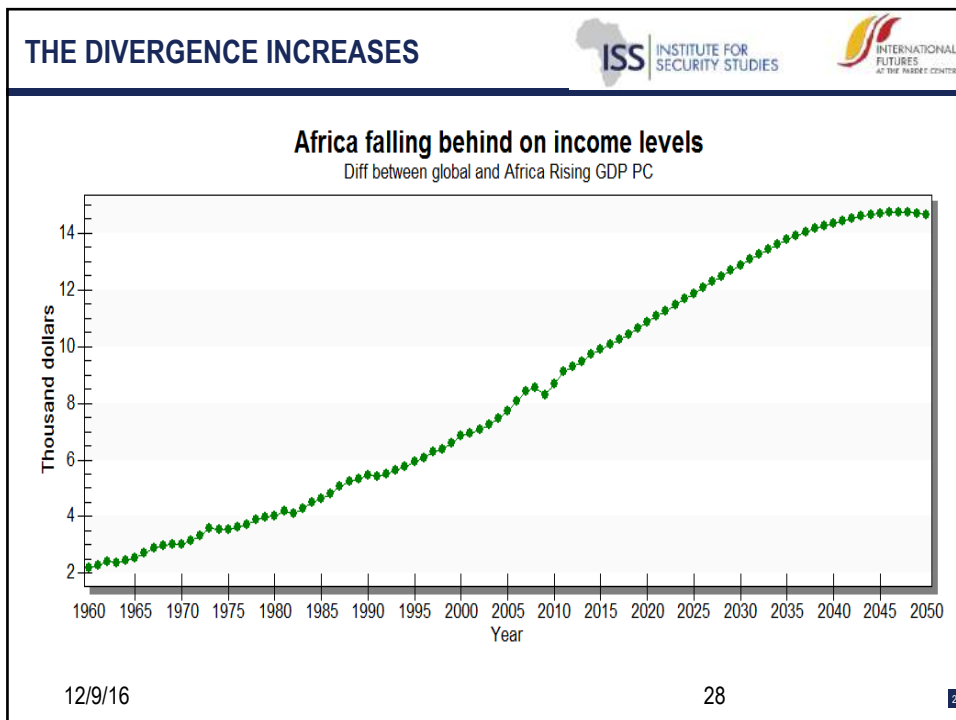
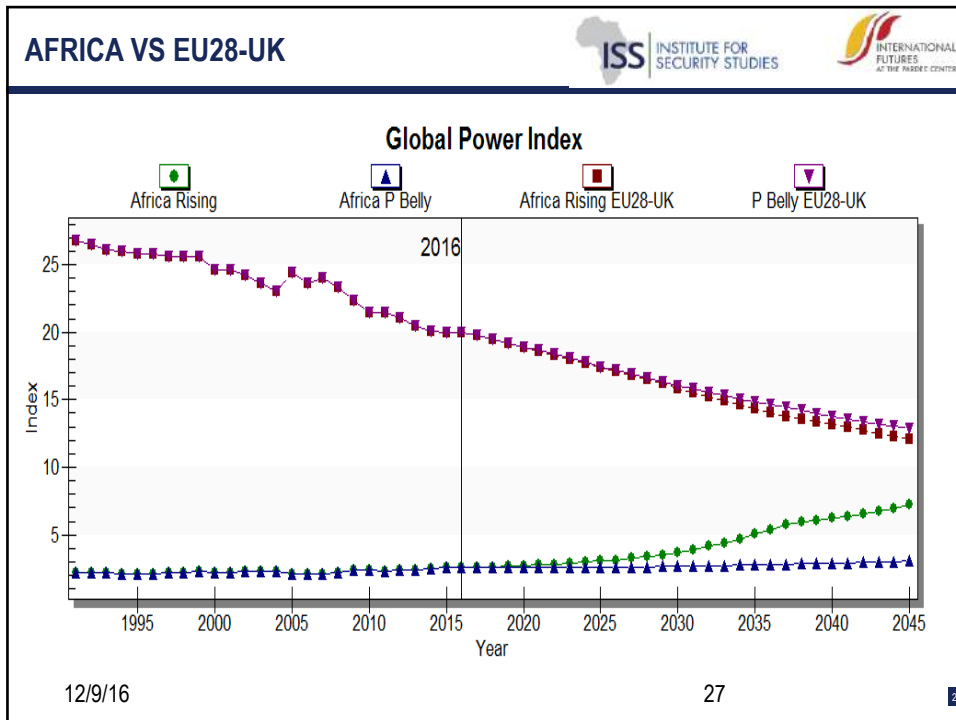
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