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For the First Forum on Inequality, Development and Democracy in Africa

Featuring

Abdi Samatar, Ph.D.
President, African Studies Association

Discussing

**The Piracy of the Rich and the
Piracy of the Poor in Somalia**

2 pm – 4 pm

Thursday, October 17, 2013

The Stimson Center

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Washington, DC 20036

*With Discussants Michael Shank, Fellow, Just Jobs Network, and Director, Foreign Policy, Friends Committee on National Legislation;
and Imani Countess, Africa Regional Program Director, Solidarity Center*

Please join us for this special event inaugurating the collaboration of the Solidarity Center and African Studies Association. Together we seek to highlight the relationship among decent work, strong worker rights and the achievement of equitable, sustainable development and participatory democracy in Africa.

The Solidarity Center is an international non-profit organization affiliated with the AFL-CIO that works to build a global labor movement by strengthening the economic and political power of workers around the world through effective and independent unions. The African Studies Association is a U.S.-based, non-profit organization of scholars, teachers, activists, development professionals, policymakers and donors who support increased understanding of Africa and its many facets. Together we aim to provide a unique opportunity to examine Africa's economic and governance challenges from a broad worker and human rights perspective.

Dr. Samatar is an internationally respected scholar whose research focuses on the relationship between democracy and development in Africa. He is a professor of geography at the University of Minnesota and a fellow at the University of Pretoria.

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