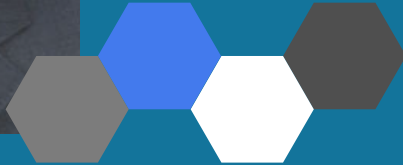




# NATURAL RESOURCES: A BOON OR A CURSE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO



## LECTURE PRESENTED BY: MR. MVEMBA PHEZO DIZOLELE

THE D.R. CONGO HOLDS SOME THE WORLD'S LARGEST DEPOSITS OF COPPER, DIAMOND, COBALT, MANGANESE, AND OTHER IMPORTANT RESOURCES AND IS HOME TO THE CONGO RIVER - THE WORLD'S SECOND MOST POWERFUL RIVER AFTER THE AMAZON AND CONTINUES TO GARNER INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION BECAUSE OF ITS VAST RAIN FOREST. HE WILL DISCUSS THAT DESPITE THESE RICH, NATURAL RESOURCES AND POTENTIAL, THE D.R. CONGO IS KNOWN AS A GEOLOGICAL SCANDAL AND IS RANKED AMONG THE POOREST COUNTRIES AS IT HAS BEEN PLAGUED BY FAILED LEADERSHIP, BAD GOVERNANCE, AND CONFLICT FOR THE PAST TWO DECADES.

**When: Tuesday, March 20th 12:00PM-1:00PM**

**Where: Room #238 Herald R. Clark Building**

