

Techniques, was opened by the President of the Republic, President Hassan Guled. The Institute's current and prospective research plans in archaeology, history, social anthropology and literature were reviewed and the Institute's plans to establish a national museum were discussed.

Social anthropological research is currently proceeding among the Afar and it is hoped that later work will focus on social change and urbanization among the Ise Somali of Djibouti. Enquiries concerning this and other research in the human sciences should be directed to Seid Mohammed Warsama, Djibouti, B.P. 486.

UNITED REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON: GENERAL DELEGATION FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL RESEARCH

The National Office for Scientific and Technical Research (ONAREST) which used to conceive, control and execute the research policy of the Cameroon Government, was reorganized in 1979, and the new organization is known as the General Delegation for Scientific and Technical Research (DGRST). The General Delegation for Scientific and Technical Research controls five Research Institutes, namely, the Institute of Agronomic Research (IRA), the Institute of Medical Research and the Study of Medicinal Plants (IMPM), the Institute of Geological and Mineral Research (IRGM), the Institute of Zoo-technical Research (IRZ) and finally the Institute of Human Sciences (ISH).

The Institute of Human Sciences has a number of research programmes which cover the following main subject areas:

- Archaeology (excavations, study of traditional art forms and techniques)
- Languages (thematic lexicon, linguistic atlas, language development)
- Ethnomusicology
- Culture (ethnography-ethnology)
- African Thought (cultural universe, oral literature, modes of thought)
- Economic Research (rural economy, transport and communication, growth and integrated development)
- Population studies
- Political and Juridical Studies
- Psychology and Education
- Geographic Studies (ecology, urban space etc)
- Cartographic Studies (topography, photogrammetry)

Research results will be published in the Institute's new *Science and Technology Review* (Human Sciences Series).

A SERIES OF LECTURES IN LISBON

The Centro de Estudos dos Povos e Culturas de Expressao Portuguesa at the Catholic University of Lisbon held its inaugural meeting on 19 May 1983 in the presence of the President of the Republic of Portugal. The Inaugural Lecture entitled *De-colonisation and the Ethiopianisation of Africa* was delivered by Professor I. M. Lewis, Honorary Director of the IAI. In collaboration with the Institute, the Centre is mounting a series of lectures on 'Religion in Africa: Past and Present'. These will be given between December 1983 and May 1984.

It is hoped to edit and publish these lectures in book form. It is also intended that this lecture series should be followed by others on other topics, jointly organised by the IAI and the Centro. Enquiries may be directed to the Centro de Estudos dos Povos e Culturas de Expressao Portuguesa, Universidade Catolica Portuguesa, Palma de Cima, 1600 Lisbon.

The programme will be as follows:

<i>Religion and Culture in Africa</i> Dr Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow Director-General UNESCO	6 December 1983
<i>Traditional African Religions I</i> Professor John Middleton, USA	14 December 1983
<i>Traditional African Religions II</i> Professor Luc de Huesch, Belgium	4 January 1984
<i>Traditional African Religions III</i> Dr Carlos Laranjo Medeiros CEPCEP	11 January 1984
<i>Christianity in Africa I</i> <i>The Judaean-Christian Tradition</i> Professor Merid Argaye, Ethiopia	25 January 1984
<i>Christianity in Africa II</i> <i>Catholicism</i> Cardinal Nascimento, Angola	1 or 8 February 1984
<i>Christianity in Africa III</i> <i>Protestantism</i> Professor Jacob Ajayi, Nigeria	15 February 1984
<i>Islam I – North of the Sahara</i> Professor Ali Merad, Algeria	22 February 1984
<i>Islam II – South of the Sahara</i> Professor I. M. Lewis, UK	29 February or 7 March 1984
<i>New African Religions</i> Professor J. D. Y. Peel, UK	14 or 21 March 1984
<i>African Religions outside Africa</i> Professor Maria Manuela Carneiro da Cunha, Brazil	28 March 1984
<i>The repatriation of African religions</i> Professor Maria Manuela Carneiro da Cunha, Brazil	4 April 1984
<i>Christianity and Colonialism</i> Professor Johannes Fabien, Netherlands	2 May 1984
<i>Religion and the State</i> Dr Aquino de Braganca, Mozambique	