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## From Age-Sets to Friendship Networks in Comparative Sociology: The continuity of soda among the Boorana of East Africa

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### ABSTRACT

This paper re-assesses a comparative sociology of kinship and friendship in East Africa with a particular focus on the Boorana Oromo of Kenya. It argues that the study of kinship dominated the developments of a comparative sociology during colonial times and that the post-colonial influences of war, the market and globalization have increased the role of the individual. As a result a comparative sociology of African kinship needs to be understood in relation to comparative sociological studies of friendship in East Africa, particularly associated with the sociology of education.

### KEYWORDS

Develop Sociological Models and Methods, Foster Interdisciplinary, Promote Analytical Research and Inquiry in Socio-Cultural Aspects, Sociological Inquiry and Research

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