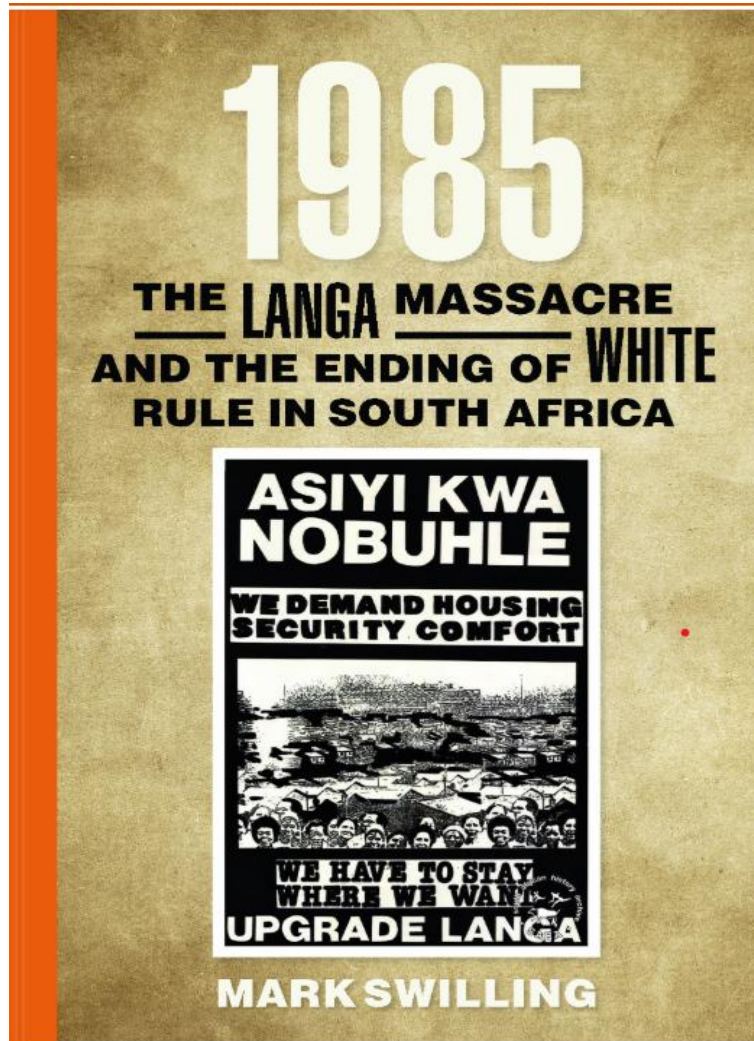


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Discussion points with Mark Swilling

1. What does a just and sustainable transition mean to you in its most practical sense?
2. What are the most critical transitions we need to have in the area of international governance architecture?
3. What are key areas where African countries should focus on in order to facilitate the transition to a just and sustainable economy?
4. What is the role of achieving a just energy transition in promoting the development of a just and sustainable economy across Africa?
5. What are the key steps that African countries should take to finance their transition to a just and sustainable economy?