

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

My Dear Colleagues, Friends and the Readership of the *JOURNAL OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA (JSDA)*, it is my pleasure and honor to bring you the Fall 2019 issue of the journal. This issue, like those that precede it, contains exciting articles that expand and elevate the debates about sustainable development and sustainability in Africa. The authors present theoretical examinations and interrogations of the existing works on sustainable development and sustainability and case studies from several countries.

I have conveniently divided the papers into three categories:

1) ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE 2) DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING DESIGN and 3) SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY. The articles in the first category are: The Distribution and Utilization of Benefits Derived from Plantation-Style Community Forests in Eswatini: A Case of Ngcayini and Ezikhotheni Chiefdom; Access to Utilization of Wetland Resources in the Kingdom of Eswatini: A Case of Lushikishini Chiefdom; Integrating A Decision Support to Solving An Environmental Problem in an Urban Nigeria for Sustainable Development; Developmental Paradox in Ethiopia: Large Scale Agriculture and Its Impact; Blessings and Blights of Small Scale Irrigation and Livelihood of Smallholder Farmers in Central Rift Valley of Ethiopia and; Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Addressing Agricultural Challenges Through Certified Organic Agriculture in Developing Regions: A Zimbabwe Case Study.

The second category contains the following articles: Exploring Charity Worker Perceptions of the Social Value and Sustainability of Solar Lighting in Malawi, Kenya and Zambia: A Scoping Study; Sustainable Housing Development through Industrialized Building System Approach in Nigeria and; Attaining the Global Sustainable Development Goals: Challenges and Prospects for Literature Teaching and Learning in Nigeria.

The third category contains the following articles: Causes of Ethnic Conflict in Ethiopia and Its Effects on Development: The Case of “Amhara” and “Gumuz” Communities; Situational Analysis of the Welfare Deficits of Citizens in Nigeria and; The Political Economy of the Working Democratic Developmental State of Ethiopia: Premises and Challenges.

These original articles will definitely spark additional discussions in the academic and development worlds. I am truly convinced that the authors of the articles have done the development communities a tremendous good by advancing new ways of building sustainable communities and improving the knowledge of the challenges African communities are facing in their quest for sustainable development and sustainability.

We are grateful for the continued support of our readership.

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