

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

My Dear Friends and Colleagues:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure, once again, to bring you the spring 2018 issue of the *JSDA*. The articles in this issue cover five broad areas of the subjects of SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY:

1. Sustainable Agriculture
2. Socio-Economic Development
3. Environmental/Infrastructure/Land-Use
4. Governance/Politics
5. Religion

The articles in the first category are:

- Public and Private Extension Services Delivery to Cassava Farmers in Sanniquellie and Saclepea Mahn Districts in Nimba County, Liberia
- Coffee Production and The Limits to Development in Developing Countries
- Determinants of Rural Household Food Insecurity in Northern Ethiopia: An Empirical Study
- Awareness Level, Perception and Utilization of Orange Fleshed Sweet Potatoes Among Households in Nasarawa Southern Agricultural Zone, Nigeria.

The articles in the second category are:

- Enhancing Service Quality Dimensions as Means of Sustaining Customer Satisfaction in Nigerian Banking Industry
- An Evaluation of the Effect of Gender on Financing of Female Owned Small and Medium Enterprises in Zimbabwe
- Oil Revenues, Defense Expenditure and Macroeconomic Stability Relationships in Nigeria (1980-2014)
- Determinants of Forensic Accounting and Its Effects on Alleviation of Fraud Practices in Nigerian Deposit Money Banks



The articles in the third category include the following:

- Community Perception of Land Use/Land Cover Change and Its Impacts on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in Northwestern Ethiopia
- Impact of the Independent Power Producers and National Integrated Power Projects on the Deregulation of the Nigerian Electricity Sector
- Climate Change Communication for Adaptation Communication Pathways in Semi-Arid Regions to Identify Research Priorities
- One-Into-Five Labor Grouping for Watershed Management in Northwest Ethiopia: Farmers' Acceptable Participation and Influencing Factors
- Transportation Externalities and Ridership of Bus Rapid Transit in Lagos Metropolis
- Sustainable Tourism to Remedy Land Degradation in Ghana Along the Black Volta River
- Household's Cooking Energy Preferences and Determinants of Transitions to Non-Biomass Fuels in Rural Nigeria
- Proximate Causes and Underlying Driving Forces of Land Cover Change in Southwest Ethiopia

The articles in the fourth category are:

- Women and Political Participation in the 2015 General Elections in Nigeria: Fault Lines and Mainstreaming Exclusion
- Rethinking Nigerian Electoral System for Democratic Sustainability: Can Proportional Representation Lessen Electoral Tensions?

The article in the fifth category is:

- Prophets or Profiteers? An Interrogative Study of the Selected Contemporary Pentecostal Prophets in Zimbabwe in the Context of Development

Although the third category which deals with matters concerning the environmental parameters predominate in this issue, we have managed to produce a diverse enough *JSDA* issue to interest our multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary readership and the themes of the *JSDA*. We hope that these thought provoking articles will contribute immensely to the ongoing debates on the subjects of sustainable development and sustainability. We continue to welcome your comments and your perspectives about our publication and we are grateful for the loyalty of the readership of the *JSDA*.

Sincerely,

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