

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

My Dear Friends and Colleagues:

It is my sincere pleasure, once again, to bring you a new issue of the JOURNAL OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA (JSDA) which focuses on the three major aspects of sustainable development, namely: 1) the economic system 2) the socio-cultural system and 3) the ecological/environmental system. The first category predominates in this issue as the authors tackle matters concerning the following: 1) Post-Colonial Cleavages and the Quest for Monetary Integration in ECOWAS; 2) Foreign Direct Investment and Sustainable Development in Namibia: A Comparative Exploration of Ramatex Textiles Namibia and Ohorongo Cement; 3) Analysis of Parallel Currency Market Premium and Macroeconomic Performance in Nigeria: Structural Autoregressive Approach (SVAR); 4) Determinants of Bank Patronage in Nigeria: The Search, Experience and Credence Factors for Sustainable Development; and 5) Impact of Reward Philosophy on Corporate Entrepreneurship Performance for Sustainability of the Food and Beverages Industry.

The second category consists of the following articles: 1) Boko Haram Activities in Nigeria: A Bane to Nation Building and Sustainable Development; 2) Household Demographics and Urban Form in Travel Behavior: The Example of Lagos Metropolitan Area; 3) The Role of International Peacekeeping/Military Interventions in Enhancing Security and Sustainable Development in Africa; 4) Restructuring Nigeria and Ethnic Contending Interests: The Search for National Consensus; and 5) Globalization and "Africanization" of Contemporary Pop Music: Implications for Sustainable African Renaissance. The third category consists of two very powerful articles which address environmental concerns: 1) The Driving Forces of Carbon Dioxide Emissions and Its Responses in Ethiopia: An Integrated Analysis Using Vector Error Correction Model and 2) Environmental Education: A Tool for Sustaining Livelihood and Managing Nigeria's Environment.

These articles represent the most recent efforts and thinking to bring about a deep understanding of sustainable development and sustainability research matters confronting African countries and societies. The articles examine how African countries and their peoples are confronting, managing and solving the myriad of problems surrounding sustainable development of renewable and non-renewable resources and methods of sustainability of policies, programs and projects in order to guide rational economic growth that does not exceed the carrying capacity of environmental system.

We are grateful to the readership of the JSDA for its continued support and encouragement.

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