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POLITICAL and SOCIAL THOUGHT in AFRICA
Helmi Sharawy

The essays collected together in this book reflect the author’s varied experiences in the realms of politics and social struggle; he notes that they cannot be separated from his other experiences in his country, Egypt, over the years. These experiences extend from popular culture or folklore, through the wider political world of African liberation politics, to the Committee for the Defense of National Culture.

The author has set himself some tough questions in this book: Is it legitimate today to use race to sub-divide the African continent? Can this, moreover, be simply done as if race is a historical or an idealistic concept of identities? Or are we going to talk about Arabism in Egypt, Libya or Maghreb as if it were an identity gained with the advent of the Arabs, implying that these were ‘lands with no people’ - a sort of ‘No Man’s Land’? Or was this a fragile space that could not confront the invading empire? Or will Arabism equate with Bantuism or negroism sometimes, and Hausa and Swahili cultures at other times? These are the types of issues that Helmi Sharawy examines in this very important book.

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RECENTLY PUBLISHED:

Coloniality of Power in Postcolonial Africa
MYTHS OF DECOLONIZATION
Sabelo J. Ndlovu-Gatsheni

This lively book interrogates the African postcolonial condition with a focus on the thematics of liberation predicament and the long standing crisis of dependence (epistemological, cultural, economic, and political) created by colonialism and coloniality.

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Land and Agrarian Reform in Zimbabwe
BEYOND WHITE-SETTLER CAPITALISM
Edited by Sam Moyo and Walter Chambati

The book also highlights some of the resonances between the Zimbabwean land struggles and those on the continent, as well as in the South in general, arguing that there are some convergences and divergences worthy of intellectual attention.

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UNITE or PERISH
Africa Fifty Years after the Founding of the OAU
Edited by Mammo Muchie, Vusi Gumede, Phindile Lukhele-Olorunju and Hailemichael Teshome Demissie

This book is an outcome of the third conference in the successful ‘Scramble for Africa’ International Conference series, now renamed the ‘African Unity for Renaissance’ International Conference. The book provides an overview and contains profound analyses of the important issues pertaining to African Unity and African Renaissance. The book is accessible to a wide variety of readers, ranging from policy makers to researchers, from teachers to students, and for anyone concerned with the further development of the African continent and Africa’s renewal.

The book outlines the various issues that animate Africa’s stand in the global political, socio-economic, cultural and technological arenas. The chapters gathered in the book critically examine and evaluate the burning questions and challenges with which Africa is grappling. This book is one of the vital texts for understanding how Africa will manage to navigate the tumultuous waters of globalisation as Africa has just recently emerged out of the horrors of slavery, colonialism, apartheid, neo-colonialism and genocide, and is still wrestling with unceasing conflicts, popular unrest, neo-imperialism, coloniality and mushrooming insurgency.

The chapters provide a much-needed insight into the issue of whether Africa has achieved genuine and meaningful independence after 50 years of the founding of the OAU and whether the baby-steps Africa has taken towards unity are worth celebrating. The contributors highlight these and allied issues with a view to capture more public attention in order to stimulate debate and usher in a new phase in the quest for African Unity and Renaissance. The contributors are distinguished authors and established and emerging scholars in their own domains. While a majority of the contributors are from the continent, distinguished scholars from around the globe have joined their African fellows in dealing with the relevant issues regarding Africa’s place in an ever changing world.

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INDIGENOUS PEOPLE in AFRICA
CONTESTATIONS, EMPOWERMENT AND GROUP RIGHTS
Edited by Ridwan Laher and Abraham Korir Sing’Oei

This volume is an attempt to provide this intersectional and reflexive space. The thinking behind the book began in Lamu in mid-2010. It was a time when growing community resistance emerged towards the Kenyan government’s plan to build a second seaport under a trans-frontier infrastructural project known as the Lamu Port-South Sudan-Ethiopia Transport Corridor (LAPSSET). The editors agreed that a book that draws community activists, academics, researchers and policy makers into a discussion of the predicament of indigenous rights and development against the backdrop of the Endorois case was timely and needed.

Assembled here are the original contributions of some of the leading contemporary thinkers in the area of indigenous and human rights in Africa. The book is an interdisciplinary effort with the single purpose of thinking through indigenous rights after the Endorois case but it is not a singular laudatory remark on indigenous life in Africa.

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THE SOCIAL CONTRACT in AFRICA
Sanya Osha

This book employs the event of the Arab Spring revolution of 2011 to reflect on the event itself and beyond. Some of the chapters address the colonial encounter and its lingering reverberations on the African sociopolitical landscape. Others address the aftermath of large scale societal violence and trauma that pervade the African context. The contributions indicate the range of challenges confronting African societies in the postmodern era. They also illustrate the sheer resilience and inventiveness of those societies in the face of apparently overwhelming odds. What is the nature of political power in contemporary Africa as constituted from below instead of being a state driven phenomenon? What constitutes sovereignty without recourse to the usual academic responses and discourses? These two questions loom behind most of the deliberations contained in this book with contributions from an impressive field of international scholars.

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African scholarly research is relatively invisible globally because even though research production on the continent is growing in absolute terms, it is falling in comparative terms. In addition, traditional metrics of visibility, such as the Impact Factor, fail to make legible all African scholarly production. Many African universities also do not take a strategic approach to scholarly communication to broaden the reach of their scholars’ work. To address this challenge, the Scholarly Communication in Africa Programme (SCAP) was established to help raise the visibility of African scholarship by mapping current research and communication practices in Southern African universities and by recommending and piloting technical and administrative innovations based on open access dissemination principles. To do this, SCAP conducted extensive research in four faculties at the Universities of Botswana, Cape Town, Mauritius and Namibia.

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Contemporary social science is a product of the capitalist world-system and Eurocentrism is constitutive of the geoculture of this system characterized by the parochiality of its universalism, assumptions about the superiority of Western civilization and imposition as the sole theory of global progress. The creation of these structures of knowledge, specifically the institutionalization of the social sciences, is a phenomenon that is inextricably linked to the very formation and maturation of Europe’s capitalist world system or imperialism. There is therefore nothing that is natural, logical, or accidental about the institutionalization of the social sciences. These Europeanized structures of knowledge are imposed ways of producing knowledge of the world. This Eurocentrism of social science has justifiably come under increasingly vigorous scrutiny, especially in the period since 1945 with the formal decolonization of Africa, Asia, and much of the Caribbean. This book forcefully argues that if social science is to make any progress in the twenty-first century, it must overcome its Eurocentric heritage that has distorted social analyses and its capacity to deal with the problems of the contemporary world and embrace other non-Western funds of knowledge production.

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Professor Thandika Mkandawire, the first to hold the Chair in African Development at the London School of Economics, delivered the thirty-second in the AGGREY-FRASER-GUGGISBERG MEMORIAL LECTURE series at the University of Ghana in 2013. In these lectures, combining with and imagination with down-to-earth political economy, he traces Africa’s attempts at growth and development since the independence era, her attempts at recovery from a string of serious socio-political set-backs, and advocates for the role of universities as essential agents in the drive to sustained development.

AFRICA: BEYOND RECOVERY
Thandika Mkandawire

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Tatah Mentan

Professor TATAH MENTAN has taught Political Science as well as journalism and mass communication in African, American, and Canadian universities. His research interests are in the areas of globalization and security issues, contemporary African politics and the political economy of international relations.

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Edited by M.N. Amvrosova

The publication is the latest in the African Studies in Russia series of compilations and contains full articles and annotations of the most important - from the point of view of editors - works of Russian Africanists over a certain period. The authors work at the Institute for African Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS). The present issue covers the years 2010 to 2013 and consists of two sections.

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EMERGING ORDERS in the SUDANS
Sandra Calkins, Enrico Ille and Richard Rottenburg

This book explores the emergent character of social orders in Sudan and South Sudan. It provides vivid insights into multitudes of ordering practices and their complex negotiation. Recurring patterns of exclusion and ongoing struggles to reconfigure disadvantaged positions are investigated as are shifting borders, changing alliances and relationships with land and language.

The book takes a careful and close look at institutional arrangements that shape everyday life in the Sudans, probing how social forms have persisted or changed. It proposes reading the post-colonial history of the Sudans as a continuous struggle to find institutional orders valid for all citizens. The separation of Sudan and South Sudan in 2011 has not solved this dilemma. Exclusionary and exploitative practices endure and inhibit the rule of law, distributive justice, political participation and functioning infrastructure. Analyses of historical records and recent ethnographic data assembled here show that orders do not result directly from intended courses of action, planning and orchestration but from contingently emerging patterns. The studies included look beyond dominant elites caught in violent fights for powers, cycles of civil war and fragile peace agreements to explore a broad range of social formations, some of which may have the potential to glue people and things together in peaceful co-existence, while others give way to new violence.

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NEW PUBLICATION

THE ANTHROPOLOGY OF AFRICA Challenges for the 21st Century
Edited by Paul Nchoji Nkwi


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In the 1980s, the University of Cape Town’s social anthropology department was predominantly oriented by an ‘exposé’ style of critical scholarship. The enemy was the apartheid state, the ethical imperative was clear and a combative metaphor for doing research motivated the department. Andrew David Spiegel, known affectionately as ‘Mugsy’ by his students and colleagues, has been a central, if understated, figure of this history and helped to frame the theoretical charge of a generation of students looking to counter apartheid from ‘inside’. In a series of interviews between the senior professor and one of his students - Jessica Dickson - Spiegel offers a unique perspective from the centre of anthropology’s recent history in South Africa.

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Tiger in an African Palace collects eight essays about kinship and belonging that Richard Fardon wrote to complement his monographs on West Africa. The essays extend those book-length descriptions by pursuing their wider implications for theory in social anthropology: exploring the relationship between comparison and historical reconstruction, and questioning the fit between personal, ethnic and cosmopolitan identities in contemporary West African nations. In an Introduction written specially for this Langaa collection, Richard Fardon retraces the career-long development of his preoccupations with concepts of identification and transformation, and their relevance to understanding West African societies comparatively and historically.

RICHARD FARDON is a social anthropologist and ethnographer of West Africa whose interest in Cameroon and Nigeria stretches back to his doctoral studies in the 1970s. Since then he has published monographs on a variety of aspects of West African society and culture, including politics, history, religion and art. He was appointed to a Chair of West African Anthropology at SOAS, University of London, in 1996, and elected a Fellow of the British Academy in 2004. He is currently Head of the SOAS Doctoral School.

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GLOBAL WARNING
An ethnography of the encounter between global and local climate-change discourses in the Bamenda Grassfields, Cameroon
Sara de Wit

Moving beyond existing approaches that largely deal with the biophysical consequences of climate change realities in Africa, this book explores an alternative perspective that traces climate change as a travelling idea. It focuses on how globally constructed discourses on climate change find their way to the local level in the Bamenda Grassfields of Cameroon, thereby seeking to understand how these discursive practices lead to social transformations, and to new configurations of power. Travelling between traditional rulers and their palaces, to the world of NGOs, journalists and ordinary farmers this study brings the reader on a captivating journey, that reveals how climate change engages in a variety of ways with different lifeworlds, revitalizes local cosmologies, gives birth to a new development paradigm, and moreover how it evokes apocalyptic anxieties and trajectories of blame at the grassroots level.

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Adalbertus Kamanzi

This monograph is predicated on a combative decolonial-Afrocentric ecophilosophy of science of nature and humanity. It is a rigorous and comprehensive scholarly account of how nature has been colonised and turned into a natural resource available for the Cartesian subject in charge of the capitalist system to humanity’s ad infinitum exploitation, with serious consequences for sustainable developmentalism.

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The Forest: An African Traditional Definition
Ekpe Inyang

This small volume seeks to provide the conservationist with some basic ideas as to which cultural areas to explore. It utilises illustrative African cultures: from ecologically and culturally rich forest zones of Cameroon which has earned the description of Africa in miniature due to its diversity, and representativeness of ecological and cultural landscapes that reflect the continent. These aim to direct the conservationist to the appropriate beliefs and customs that could be exploited in favour of conservation.

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Since time immemorial, indigenous peoples around the world have developed knowledge systems to ensure their continued survival in their respective territories. These knowledge systems have always been dynamic such that they could meet new challenges. Yet, since the so-called enlightenment period, these knowledges have been supplanted by the Western enlightenment science or colonial science hegemony and arrogance such that in many cases they were relegated to the periphery. Some Eurocentric scholars even viewed indigenous knowledge as superstitious, irrational and anti-development. This book presents an interesting and insightful discourse on the state and role that indigenous knowledge can play in addressing a tapestry of problems of the world and the challenges connected with the application of indigenous knowledge in enlightenment science-dominated contexts.

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CONVIVIALITY in BELLVILLE
An Ethnography of Space, Place, Mobility and Being in Urban South Africa
Ingrid Brudvig
This book provides insight into the experiences of mobility and migration in contemporary South Africa, contributing to a field of literature about multiculturalism and urban public space in globalizing cities. It takes into consideration the greater international political and local socio-economic factors that drive migration, relationships and conviviality, and how they are intertwined in the everyday narrative of “insiders” and “outsiders”. The Bellville central business district demonstrates the realities of interconnected local and global hierarchies of citizenship and belonging and how they emerge in a world of accelerated mobility.

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NEGOTIATING CONVIVIALITY
The Use of Information and Communication Technologies by Migrant Members of the Bay Community Church
Paula Hay
This book is an ethnographic study of a group of migrants in Cape Town from Malawi, Zimbabwe and South Africa. It seeks to understand how migrants overcome structural exclusion by forming and maintaining convivial relationships through the Bay Community Church and how this is facilitated by Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs). The book argues that ICTs are implicated in the negotiation of conviviality. ICTs allow for a negotiation of intimacy and distance; although their functions may facilitate more contact than is desired or further distance those already separated physically.

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RETHINKING MARGINALITY in SOUTH AFRICA
Mobile Phones and the Concept of Belonging in Langa Township
Crystal Powell
What does it mean to be marginal? For residents of Cape Town’s Langa Township, being considered marginal is subject to a host of social, physical and sometimes materialistic qualifications - not least of which is owning a mobile phone. Through various presentations of unique aspects of township life revealed through ethnographic snapshots, this book reveals the complex realities of marginalization experienced by some residents in Langa Township, located in Cape Town, South Africa.

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TÉLÉPHONIE et MOBILITÉ au MALI
Naffet Keita
Le livre présente part du constat que l’avènement de la téléphonie mobile au Mali a donné lieu à une libéralisation économique, l’internationalisation des échanges et de nouveaux équilibres dans les espaces sociaux tels le marché de Bamako, et dans les régions centre et nord du Mali, déjà soumis à des tensions et/ou des recompositions importantes. Celles-ci se sont traduites par l’accroissement des faits de mobilité tant à l’interne qu’à l’externe du pays (migrants et déplacés, etc.) ; l’apparition de nouvelles figures d’hommes d’affaires, d’entrepreneurs, de commerçants et de modification des routes commerciales. Or ces mobilités produisent des territoires originaux de circulations et d’échanges divers qui ne peuvent être compris dans le cadre exclusif de la société locale.

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HADZABE: By The Light of a Million Fires
Daudi Peterson

Building on years spent working with and accompanying Hadzabe in the field, Daudi and Trude Peterson and Jon Cox photographed hunter–gatherer daily life, culture, and knowledge, from digging tubers to collecting honey and medicinal plants, hunting game and making tools out of just about everything. This documentary rich with photographs, illustrations and Hadzabe handwritten text is an innovative approach to documenting one of the world’s most unique remaining indigenous cultures.

“Hadzabe, By the Light of a Million Fires is a remarkable book—a vibrant, engaging portrait of the lives, aspirations and dilemmas of contemporary Hadzabe from their own perspectives, in their own words. Listen to older men tell stories from the past. Learn how to hunt, gather, and live off the land in environmentally sustainable ways. Look at the faces of Hadza men, women, and children. Lament their loss of land, resources, and rights. Peterson and his Hadza collaborators have produced a moving, fascinating account of one of the few remaining hunter–gatherer peoples today, a people struggling to retain control over their lives, livelihoods, and land. This book is a must-read for anyone interested in the past, present and future of Africa and Africans.”

- DOROTHY L. HODGSON, Professor & Chair of Anthropology, Rutgers University

260 pages | 240 x 300 mm | 2013 | Colour Illustrations and Colour Photographs
Mkuki na Nyota Publishers, Tanzania Paperback: 978-9987-08-296-4: $35.95/£22.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:

Maina wa Mutonya

While probing the politics of everyday in Gikuyu popular music, the main thrust of this book is to unpack the representation of daily struggles through music. Depending mainly on the lyrics of the songs, the study also combines both the textual and the contextual analysis of the music. Music here is studied both as a text, and as an aspect of popular culture.

186 pages | 2013 | Twaweza Communications, Kenya | Paperback: 978-9966-028-44-0 | $26.95/£18.95

Vimbuza The Healing Dance of Northern Malawi
Boston Jaston Soko

The purpose of this book is to show that the possession cult of Vimbuza presents itself as an oral genre which is part and parcel of African Oral Literature. The ethno-linguistic study which we undertake will permit us to catch a glimpse of its whole complexity.

262 pages | 2014 | Mzuni Press, Malawi | Paperback: 978-99908-0-247-4 | $32.95/£22.95
African Cultures, Memory and Space is an impeccable volume that powerfully grapples with a gamut of cultural heritage issues, challenges and problems from a vista of inter- and multi-disciplinary approach. The book, which is designed as a foundational text to the study of culture in ever-changing environments, makes an important argument that the dynamism of culture in highly globalised societies such as that of Zimbabwe can be studied from any perspective, but most importantly through careful examination of cultural elements such as memory, oral history and space, among others. While the book makes special reference to Zimbabwe, it profoundly and audaciously dissects and cuts across different geographical and cultural spaces through its penetrating interrogation and scrutiny of different issues commonplace in many African contexts and even beyond.

264 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2014
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-792-97-9 $29.95/£22.95

One of the central theoretical and practical issues in post-colonial Africa is the relevance, nature, and politics at play in the management of museum institutions on the continent. Most African museums were established during the 19th and 20th centuries as European imperialists were spreading their colonial tentacles across the continent. The attainment of political independence has done little to undo or correct the obnoxious situation. Most African countries continue to practice colonial museology despite surging scholarship and calls by some Afro-centric and critical scholars the world over to address the quandaries on the continent’s museum institutions. There is thus an unresolved struggle between the past and the present in the management of museums in Africa. In countries such as Zimbabwe, the struggle in museum management has been precipitated by the sharp economic downturn that has gripped the country since the turn of the millennium. In view of all these glitches, this book tackles the issue of the management of heritage in Zimbabwe.

348 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2015
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-792-82-5 $36.95/£26.95
CURRENT PERSPECTIVES in the ARCHAEOLOGY of GHANA

Edited by James Kwesi Anquandah, Wazi Apoh and Benjamin W. Kankpeyeng

This collection of essays on archaeology and heritage studies is authored by local and expatriate scholars who are either past or current practitioners in archaeological work in Ghana. The subject matter covered includes the history and evolution of the discipline in Ghana; the method and theory or ‘how to do it’ in archaeology, field research reports, and syntheses on findings from past and recent investigations. The eclectic or multidisciplinary strategy has been the research vogue in Ghanaian archaeology recently, and this is reflected in the various chapters. The essays engage with current theoretical trends in global archaeology and also focus on the role and status of archaeology as a discipline in Ghanaian society today. Archaeology is a relatively ‘novel’ subject to many in Ghana. This Reader will, therefore, be a huge asset to local students and experts alike. Foreign scholars will also find it very useful.

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WAZI APOH is an archaeological anthropologist and a Frederick Douglass Teaching Scholar. He is currently a lecturer in the Department of Archaeology and Heritage Studies, University of Ghana and the director of the Kpando German Heritage Research and Rehabilitation Project.

BENJAMIN W. KANKPEYENG is an Associate Professor and the current Head of the Department of Archaeology and Heritage Studies, University of Ghana. He worked at the Ghana Museums and Monuments Board from 1983 until joining the Faculty at the University of Ghana in 2004.

354 pages | 216 x 140 mm | Colour Illustrations and Colour Photographs | 2014 | Sub-Saharan Publishers, Ghana Paperback: 978-9988-8602-3-3: $49.95/£36.95
GROWING UP WITH TANZANIA
Memories, Musings and Maths
Karim Hirji

In Growing up with Tanzania, Karim Hirji, a renowned Professor of Medical Statistics and Fellow of the Tanzania Academy of Science, presents a multi-faceted, evocative portrait of his joyous but conflicted passage to adulthood during colonial and early-Uhuru Tanzania. His smooth style engages the reader with absorbing true tales, cultural currents, critical commentary and progressive possibilities. By vibrantly contrasting the hope-filled sixties with the cynical modern era, he also lays bare the paradoxes of personal life and society, past and present.

“Growing Up With Tanzania is more than a personal story; it is also that of the birth of a nation and a vision. Rich with anecdotes and an amazing cast of real life characters, this thrilling memoir is an aesthetically satisfying mix of memory, musings, meditations and mathematics. People in all walks of life, young and old, must read it. They will never look at numbers the same way.”

- NGUGI WA THIONG’O, Eminent African Novelist

“Growing Up With Tanzania is a refreshingly detailed memoir that sees Karim Hirji’s evolution from ‘life in a brown cocoon’ into a world citizen in a process moulded by societal dialectics, exemplary icons, devoted teachers and mathematics. Brimming with love for his country, yet also reflecting his profound pain at its current malaise, it is tempered with solutions which stand to benefit nations beyond his own.”

- ZARINA PATEL, Kenyan Author

302 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 |
Mkuki na Nyota Publishers, Tanzania
Paperback: 978-9987-08-223-0 $22.95/£17.95
eBook: 978-9987-75-300-0 $9.99/£6.99

ALSO OF INTEREST:

MIKIDADI WA MAFIA. Maisha ya Mwanaharakati na Familia Yake Nchini Tanzania
Pat Caplan

in this biographical history/historical biography the lives of ordinary people reveal their struggles, constraints, and, as in this case, an extraordinary ability to overcome their circumstances.

190 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 |
Mkuki na Nyota Publishers, Tanzania
Paperback 978-9987-08-295-7 $24.95/£17.95

Swahili
Dash before Dusk: A slave descendant’s journey in freedom is an account of the life and times of Joe Khamisi, a Kenyan slave descendant whose ancestors were taken captive by Arab traders from Nyasaland and Tanganyika, rescued at sea by the British, and settled at Rabai, a slave encampment along the East African coast. Khamisi, a former journalist, diplomat and politician, narrates the significant contributions former slaves and their descendants made in the transformation of Kenya into an independent state and their continuing struggle for recognition.

194 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2014
East African Educational Publishers, Kenya
Paperback: 978-9966-25-989-9 $34.95/£24.95

What Makes Africans Laugh? is a critique of the African's attitude towards indigenous craftsmanship, knowledge and culture, especially in the post-independence era. It is woven around the life of James Tumusiime, who has been a campaigner for African self-reliance in the cultural industry - humour, media and historiography. Although Tumusiime draws many of his examples from Uganda and Kenya, the story is familiar to most people in Africa. This book brings out the practical experiences of a civil servant, the challenges of a cartoonist in a politically sensitive environment, and the struggles to localise humour to a cynical industry. It narrates the drama in starting a media house - the New Vision, a book publishing house - Fountain Publishers, a local-language radio station - Radio West, and a museum - Igongo Cultural Centre, all coming amidst lukewarm political support and a sceptical audience.

234 pages | 210 x 148mm | 2014
Fountain Publishers, Uganda
Paperback: 978-9970-25-310-4 $29.95/£19.95
A PATH THROUGH HARD GRASS
A Journalist’s Memories of Exile and Apartheid
Ruth Weiss

A child of a Jewish family fleeing Nazi-Germany and settling in apartheid South Africa in the 1930s, Ruth Weiss’ journalistic career starts in Johannesburg of the 1950s. In 1968 banned from her home country, and then also from Rhodesia for her critical investigative journalism, she starts reporting from Lusaka, London and Cologne on virtually all issues which affect the newly independent African countries. Peasants and national leaders in southern Africa - Ruth Weiss met them all, traveling through Africa at a time when it was neither usual for a woman to do so, nor to report for economic media as she did. Her writing gained her the friendship of diverse and interesting people. In this book she offers us glimpses into some of her many long-nurtured friendships, with Kenneth Kaunda or Nadine Gordimer and many others. Her life-long quest for tolerance and understanding of different cultures shines through the many personalized stories which her astute eye and pen reveals in this book. As she put it, one never sheds the cultural vest donned at birth, but this should never stop one learning about and accepting other cultures.

“I have to say that Ruth Weiss is a most unexpected personality, and hers is an unexpected book. … I know – knowing her so well, so long – that she has not been prompted by vanity; nothing could be further from her nature. I believe that, considering her life, she came to see, as anyone reading this book will, that fate, chance, and accident of birth and the drama of history – call it what you will – have woven her life into a pattern belonging specifically to our century, a piece of social history that should not be kept to herself, but set down for us, her contemporaries. … The time for summing-up is here in the tenth decade.”

- NADINE GORDIMER, Writer

278 pages | 244 x 170 mm | 2014 | Basler Afrika Bibliographien, Switzerland
Paperback: 978-3-905758-39-9 $32.95/£22.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:

ERIKA SUTTER: SEEN WITH OTHER EYES. Memories of a Swiss Eye Doctor in Rural South Africa
Gertrud Stiehle

The Swiss ophthalmologist Erika Sutter was born in Basel in 1917. She spent 32 years working in Elim Hospital, founded by the Swiss Mission in an impoverished rural area in North-Eastern South Africa. Together with her African colleague and friend, Selina Maphorogo, she founded the Care Groups, village self-help groups working for better health in their communities.

136 pages | 280 x 210 mm | 2014 | Basler Afrika Bibliographien, Switzerland
Paperback 978-3-905758-33-7 $34.95/£24.95

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GIRL ON the EDGE
A Memoir
Ruth Carneson

Ruth was four years old when her father was arrested for high treason and her world was turned upside-down. She grew up in constant fear of Special Branch policemen knocking on the door to arrest her mother or father, prominent South African communists. Ruth learned how to keep her mouth shut, to look out for microphones in the walls and to beware of friends who could betray her trust. At fourteen, Ruth left South Africa, clutching her teddy bear in one hand and her drawings in the other. A plan to travel to England carried her into exile, a new world where she struggled to reconstruct a life fractured by fear.

With an artist’s eye for detail and colour, Ruth recalls her life with unflinching honesty: the Treason Trial; her struggle to conform; Friern Barnet Asylum for the ‘hopeless insane’; LSD, protests, and free love in London, art school and motherhood; communes and camping - all steps in a journey that finally brought her home to South Africa on the brink of change. Heart-wrenchingly sad one minute, bursting with life and vigour the next, seamed throughout by strength and courage, girl on the edge allows us to look deep into one woman’s life and travel with her to the brink and back again.

242 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2014
Cover2Cover Books, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-9946516-2-4 $16.95/£11.95
eBook: 978-0-9946516-8-6 $9.99/£6.99

MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE
Connie Manse Ngcaba

May I Have This Dance tells the courageous and moving story of Connie Manse Ngcaba, who grew up in the Eastern Cape, South Africa, where she became a nurse, community figurehead and a leading voice of dissent against the apartheid regime. Her sense of justice and morality, and her compassion for those around her, brought her into frequent conflict with the government, culminating in her being detained for a year without trial at the age of 57. It is also the story of the strength of family ties, and the triumph of Connie’s love for her husband and children.

“As accounts of South Africa’s long, difficult 20th Century proliferate, far too little space has been accorded to the women whose lives were lived at the intersection of the political, the domestic, and the personal. Connie Ngcaba helps us to correct that record in fine-grained detail, reminding us how important it is to listen to your grandmother.”

- NIC DAWES, Former editor of Mail & Guardian

160 pages | 216 x 140mm | 2015
Cover2Cover Books, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-9922017-9-1 $19.95/£15.95
MOMENT of TRUTH
The Compelling Story of Pastor Tunde Bakare
Compiled by Victorson Agbenson

Tunde Bakare is a Nigerian Prophetic-Apostolic pastor. He has received national and international attention for his televangelism, which has sometimes been critical of the Nigerian government. He presides over Global Apostolic Impact Network (GAIN) - a network of churches, ministries and kingdom businesses committed to advancing the Kingdom of God on earth. Dr. Bakare is also the President of Latter Rain Ministries, Inc. (Church Development Center) in Atlanta, GA, USA.

390 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 | Safari Books, Nigeria
Paperback: 978-978-8431-45-9: $42.95/£29.95 |

ALSO OF INTEREST

The Autobiography of an Orange Seller
Eric Ikogho

This autobiography relives the lifestyle of a Warri Boy, the typical escapades of a young man going through life with the influence of peer groups, and an ultimate transformation through experiences of self-discovery and a deepening relationship with God.

264 pages | 2014 | Kraft Books, Nigeria | Paperback: 978-978-918-144-5 | $32.95/£22.95

Carrying the Cross. The Autobiography of Bishop
Matthew Oluremi Owayado
Matthew Oluremi Owayado

Born in Ifira-Akoko, Nigeria in 1939 Bishop Matthew Oluremi Owayado was appointed Men’s warden of Archbishop Vining Training Centre, Akure; preferred Cathedral Provost, and later Dean, Immanuel College of Theology, Ibadan. In December 1994, he was elected Bishop of the Diocese of Egba.

LET'S COOK KENYA
National Ethnic Foods
Susan Kamau

With every passing year, the unique melting pot of communities and cultures mix and blend, allowing Kenyans to live together in relative harmony. Distinct cultural lines have become less distinguishable with the passing of time as people get on with their daily chores. While Kenyans are not without their problems, their peaceful example stands out among the countries of the world. Susan Kamau’s 1st cook book Jikoni Magic brought you a 2 week meal plan and hit the best selling list at the national paper Nation. This, her 2nd cook book, is a journey through Kenya’s diverse countryside and ethnic communities, a book of national heritage. A journey of culinary delights aimed at bringing back to life long forgotten recipes that our grandparents grew up on. Recipes made from ingredients that withstood drought and that were nutritious and healthy. Susan Kamau has selected these dishes and brought them to you without spoiling their authenticity.

SUSAN KAMAU is a consultant cook and a lover of food. Her natural exuberance and talent for communication have led her to become Kenya’s most celebrated chef. Her specialty in home-style cooking keeps her a busy business woman. She produces a TV show, publishes a magazine, author’s books, runs monthly clubs and an annual festival, and manufactures a sauce. Kenyan Kitchen through the Food Festival has partnered with World Vision Kenya for a cause that will enable Susan a chance to lend a helping hand to one community in providing them with water, a commodity so precious to her daily working in the kitchen. Susan was last year appointed as the regional culinary ambassador for the Global Alliance of Clean Cook Stoves, a UN Foundation initiative www.cleancookstoves.org. She is working with local organizations in helping to educate on replacing open fires with clean burning fuel-efficient stoves that dramatically impact the lives of families and reduces degradation of the environment.

152 pages | 300 x 250mm | 2014 | Colour Photographs
Imagine Works, Kenya
Paperback: 978-9966-060-53-2 $24.95/£18.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:

HESTER’S BOOK OF BREAD
Hester van der Walt

Hester’s Book of Bread is an honest and delicious, down to earth book that tells of Hester van der Walt’s passion for baking bread. Set in McGregor in the Klein Karoo where she bakes bread in a wood-fired oven, this book reflects Hester’s intuitive feeling for the connections between the soul and food, particularly food that is prepared with care, according to traditional principles and methods.

184 pages | 234 x 156 mm | 2012 |
Modjaji Books, South Africa
Paperback 978-1-920590-00-0 $19.95/£15.95
INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION and DEVELOPMENT in EASTERN and SOUTHERN AFRICA
Edited by Assefaw Bariagaber

OSSREA's invitation to conduct a study on international migration in Africa had the following objectives: To analyze the nature and type of South-South migration, focusing on issues, such as brain gain and/or brain drain, remittance flows, technical know-how transfers, violations of the right of African migrants and gender dimensions of migration; To investigate the dynamics of migration from Eastern and Southern Africa to the Arab Gulf States as well as to developed countries, focusing on the skills of migrants, brain gain and/or brain drain, remittance flows, technical know-how transfers, violations of the rights of African migrants and gender dimension of migrants; and to assess the successes, impediments and challenges of African international migrants from Eastern and Southern Africa and to formulate policy recommendations to maximize the gains and minimize the costs associated with international migration in Africa.

274 pages | 234 x 156mm | 2014
OSSREA, Ethiopia
Paperback: 978-99944-55-76-8 $32.95/£22.95

POPULATION STUDIES
Key Issues and Contemporary Trends in Ghana
Edited by Delali Margaret Badasu and Stephen Owusu Kwankye

The scope of Population Studies as a discipline has expanded beyond its traditional focus on the three components of population and their dynamics - fertility, mortality and migration. It encompasses broader themes, including reproductive health and rights, gender and other social and cultural dimensions of population dynamics, human development and health and climate change. Population is central to development and its integration into the development planning of every country is critical. This volume of the University of Ghana Readers by the Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS) provides multi-disciplinary perspectives on the multi-faceted nature of population studies today. The volume is an essential resource on contemporary issues on population studies and offers a unique opportunity for students of population studies and others who are interested in the study of human populations to enhance their understanding of the ramifications of population dynamics on development. It also has rich material on demographic research methods and provides tools for building the research capacity of academics and technocrats who are interested in population-driven interventions, advocacy and policy.

290 pages | 234 x 156mm | 2014
Sub-Saharan Publishers, Ghana
Paperback: 978-9988-647-74-2 $39.95/£29.95
PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK in EAST AFRICA
Towards Social Development, Poverty Reduction and Gender Equality
Edited by Helmut Spitzer, Janestic M. Twikirize and Gidraph G. Wairire

Prevalent poverty and related problems in the East African region call for substantial action from various stakeholders, including social workers. This book, based on comprehensive empirical research, portrays an emerging yet powerful profession that has a significant role to play in the endeavour towards social development, social justice, human rights and gender equality. The book is the first of its kind to provide first-hand theoretical and empirical evidence about social work in East Africa.

“This is a cutting edge, innovative volume which considers the proper role and function of social work in East Africa. The book is both comprehensive and extensive in its coverage of issues, and will immensely enrich the discourse on the in vogue theme of social development. Diverse groups, including scholars, researchers, planners and policymakers interested in social work and social development in Africa will certainly find the publication a ‘must consult’ reference resource.”

- RODRECK MUPEDZISWA (PhD), Professor and Head, Department of Social Work, University of Botswana

418 pages | 244 x 170mm | 2014
Fountain Publishers, Uganda
Paperback: 978-9970-25-367-8 $39.95/£26.95

SOCIAL, POLITICAL and CULTURAL CHALLENGES of the BRICS
Edited by Gustavo Lins Ribeiro, Tom Dwyer, Antonádia Borges and Eduardo Viola

At the 37th Annual meeting, hosted in Águas de Lindoia, São Paulo, in 2013, ANPOCS organized a large International Symposium, The BRICS and their social, political and cultural challenges on the national and international levels. There were six sessions of debates, gathered under the umbrella of “Development and public policies,” “Social inclusion and social justice,” and “Emerging powers and transformations in the international system,” followed by a final plenary session. Around 30 anthropologists, political scientists, sociologists and researchers in international relations from Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa, met over three highly productive days. As might be expected at ANPOCS, the encounter was marked not only by the diversity of countries and disciplines, but also by the theoretical and political diversity of the participants, something already apparent in the composition of the Brazilian coordinators of the Symposium. This book is just one tangible outcome of the papers and dialogues emerging from this encounter. Like the Symposium, the volume is divided into three sections. Looking to address an international readership, it is published in Portuguese and English.

504 pages | 234 x 156mm | 2015 |
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-792-14-6 $44.95/£32.95
ACCESS to MICROFINANCE and FINANCIAL TRAINING for INNOVATIVE URBAN SUSTAINABILITY
Collective Investments at the Bottom of the Pyramid Segment in Urban Kenya
Emmanuel Musau Mutisya

The Kenyan population is highly concentrated in urban centres, leading to increased social, economic and environmental strains. Urban development is increasingly a major focus, especially in the fight against urban sustainability problems. This book initiates debates on the segment of urban population often referred to as “the bottom of the pyramid (BOP)”, by analysing the microfinance innovation following evaluation of the impacts of access to microfinance and financial training and the implications to urban sustainability in Kenya. The main conclusion reached is that microfinance has an instrumental role to play in promoting sustainable urban development as it supports social welfare improvement and increases the livelihood of participants, business development and urban sustainability to a certain extent, thereby empowering the urban poor in contributing to poverty alleviation.

270 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2014
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-792-87-0 $36.95/£26.95

La MICROFINANCE EN AFRIQUE CENTRALE
Le défi des exclus
Edited by Elias T. Ayuk


ELIAS T. AYUK is the Director of the United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa based in Accra, Ghana. He was previously a Senior Programme Specialist at the Canadian International Development Research Centre. He holds a Bachelor’s degree in Economics and M.Sc and PhD Degrees in Agricultural Economics.

438 pages | 299 x 152mm | 2015
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-792-93-1 $39.95/£29.95

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BREAKTHROUGH: Corporate South Africa in a Green Economy
Edited by Godwell Nhamo

This book addresses hot issues pertaining to the manner in which corporate South Africa has engaged the emerging green global economy. Firstly, the book profiles the green and low carbon economy landscape in South Africa and interfaces it with global trends. This way, the book aligns very well in terms of the Rio+20 outcomes on ‘The Future We Want’ that fully embraces the green global economy in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication. The rest of the chapters in the book profile breakthroughs from selected companies. The book also comes as the second in a series that is addressing global and national concerns on the green global economy agenda.

GODWELL NHAMO is a Programme Manager for the Chair in Business and Climate Change hosted by the Institute for Corporate Citizenship (ICC) at the University of South Africa (Unisa), which is sponsored by Exxaro Resources Ltd. He holds a PhD from Rhodes University and did his postdoctoral work with the University of Witwatersrand. Dr Nhamo has great interests in business and climate change as well as environmental management and policy. Some of his current responsibilities are in teaching, research and training in corporate citizenship, sustainability sciences as well as business and climate change.

348 pages | 244 x 170mm | 2014
Africa Institute of South Africa, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-7983-0456-6 $36.95/£26.95

LAND GRABS in a GREEN AFRICAN ECONOMY
Implications for Trade, Investment and Development Policies
Edited by Godwell Nhamo and Caiphas Chekwoti

This book focuses on profiling, from both literature-based and primary research points of orientation, instances of land grabs and/or acquisitions with a focus on the implications of land grabs for trade, investment and development policy in Africa under the global green economy transition agenda. In many instances, case studies and examples paint a picture that could be of use to policy-makers. Overall, the book advocates a ‘satisfy-satisfy’ orientation when land deals are made, as well as total transparency from key actors, building grassroots negotiation capacity and awareness.

“For those that are searching for an African Renaissance and equitable distribution and sustainable use of Africa’s land as a strategic resource for both economic development and climate change adaptation and mitigation in a green global economy, this book is a must read.”
- DR VUYO MJIMBA Postdoctoral Fellow: Exxaro Chair in Business and Climate change, University of South Africa

202 pages | 244 x 170mm | 2014
Africa Institute of South Africa, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-7983-0477-1 $29.95/£20.95
TRADE AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT in AFRICA
Rethinking Strategy and Policy
Edited by Theresa Moyo

This book revisits the perennial challenge that scholars, economists, and politicians have been grappling with since the 1960s. Development, in this book, has been defined in a context that projects it as a multidimensional and complex process which seeks to enhance the human, social, economic and cultural welfare of the people. This book calls for a rethinking of trade and industry for Africa’s development. It uses data drawn from national development plans and strategies, and trade and industry issues have been prioritized at the continental level, in key policy documents. On the whole Africa’s industry and trade performance have been poor in spite of national, regional, and continental plans. The contributors to this volume propose some alternative strategies and policies which are necessary for trade and industry to grow and to contribute to the well-being of Africa’s people. It calls for a developmental trade and industry policy which, fundamentally, must be people-centred. African states should invest time, energy and resources to develop policies which will take into consideration African realities. The different contributors are aware that Africa has experienced strong economic growth in the recent past but this growth has largely been due to a strong demand for Africa’s primary commodity exports. It has also been a result of increases in productivity and domestic investment and remittances from Africans living in the Diaspora. It is important to note that despite this unprecedented growth performance, the impact of trade and industry on development has been limited.

404 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2014
CODESRIA, Senegal
Paperback: 978-2-86978-571-7 $39.95/£29.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:

REFLECTIONS on DEVELOPMENT in ETHIOPIA. New Trends, Sustainability and Challenges
Edited by Dassalegn Rahmato, Meheret Ayenew, Asnake Kefale, Birgit Habermann

This volume brings together a select number of studies which give a broader picture of the country’s development program, examining not just the progress that has been made so far but also the challenges and pitfalls that are evident. The book provides a good starting point for a balanced assessment of economic development in the last two decades with the primary purpose of stimulating informed debate on the Ethiopia’s economy and development endeavor in this period.

306 pages | 244 x 170 mm | 2014 | Forum for Social Studies, Ethiopia
Paperback 978-99944-50-52-7 $36.95/£24.95
COLLABORATIVE GOVERNANCE in EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES in AFRICA
Edited by Timothy Afful-Koomson and Kwabena O. Asubonteng

The potential for using revenues from extractive resources for inclusive growth in Africa is tremendous. However, the realisation of the transformative role that extractive industries could play in sustainable development has been elusive in most African countries. This book presents the critical challenges facing extractive industries from different contexts, countries, sectors and settings. It features chapters with diverse angle of interest and analytical tools applied in examining the critical issues related particularly to mining and petroleum development in Africa. The book addresses the current gap in knowledge about appropriate governance regimes that could create the forum where the divergent interests and positions of various stakeholders of extractive resources and revenues could be handled - without any of them resorting to deadly conflicts. It presents the functionality of collaborative governance in enhancing for example, transparency, accountability, and equitable distribution of extractive revenues.

244 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 | United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA), Ghana
Paperback: 978-9988-633-13-4: $29.95/£19.95

ALSO AVAILABLE

Economic and Financial Analyses of Small and Medium Food Crops Agro-Processing Firms in Ghana
Timothy Afful-Koomson, Stephen Frimpong, William Fonta and Nathaniel Amoh

This book reports on a research project that analysed agro-processing firms’ economic and financial situation in Ghana. The main objective of the book is to provide an empirical evidence for stakeholders in the agricultural value-chain to improve efficiencies in food crops agro-processing in Ghana.

230 pages | 2015 | United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA), Ghana | Paperback: 978-9988-633-85-1 | $39.95/£29.95

Harnessing Land and Water Resources for Improved Food Security and Ecosystem Services in Africa
Edited by Effiom E. Oku, Kwabena O. Asubonteng and Praise Nutakor

Africa is endowed with rich land and water resources, which significantly contribute to the development of many economies on the continent. However, land degradation and water pollution remain major challenges facing many African countries. This book examines challenges facing land and water resources management in Africa and explores possible measures to improve food security and reduce poverty on the continent.

184 pages | 2015 | United Nations University Institute for Natural Resources in Africa (UNU-INRA), Ghana | Paperback: 978-9988-633-97-4 | $39.95/£29.95
COTTON in TANZANIA
Breaking the Jinx
Joe C.B. Kabissa

This book tells the story of cotton in Tanzania, which illustrates both the potential of the crop and the factors which have held it back. It does not neglect the fact that Tanzania’s largest ever cotton crop of 376,000 tons of seed cotton was achieved in 2005/06 or that government and farmers initiatives over time have been serious and have had some success. However, Joe Kabissa shows that whether in terms of ‘Research and Development’, the adoption of improved cultivation techniques or the institutional structure of both the cotton and textile sectors, there has been a consistent pattern of under-performance, acknowledged at different times by all the major players. The search for a stable smallholder cropping systems in Africa, combining food security with cash income, remains as acute an issue as ever. It is tempting to see the way forward in terms of larger scale agriculture. But with well over half of Africa’s population still relying on agriculture for survival and income, the role which specific crops can play, needs constant examination.

“Joe Kabissa described a rare journey into Tanzanian cotton as one of Africa’s key smallholders’ crop. With a lifetime of experience as a scientist, manager and strategist for the crop, Kabissa shows how technical, political policies and organisational issues have limited the success of cotton, in spite if its huge potential, as a source of income for both farmers and the national economy. He shows how much more can be achieved if these are resolved.”
- LAURENCE COCKCROFT, Tanzania Gatsby Trust and Kilimo Trust

“This book is a very powerful description of Tanzanian cotton. Written in a matter of fact way, against the background of the global and historical overviews, the book is an allegory of Tanzanian cotton and a true testimony of the behind-the-scenes action and strategies in the development of the crop over more than a century. The account is hard to fault, having been written by an iconic professional in Tanzania cotton industry; having literally grown in the cotton industry.”
- RAPHAEL NKULI MLOLWA, Chairman, Tanzania Cotton Board, former Economic Advisor to President Benjamin Mkapa

338 pages | 229 x 152mm | 2014
Tanzania Educational Publishers, Tanzania
Paperback: 978-9987-07-007-7 $34.95/£24.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:
AGRICULTURE and ENVIRONMENT for DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
B.H.Z. Moyo

This book is about indigenous ways of farming in Northern Malawi in the face of modernization and globalization pressures. It also impacts modernization and globalization in relation to agriculture and environment in the developing countries laying bare their impacts on smallholder farmers, agriculture in general, industry and the environment.

112 pages | 210 x 148 mm | 2014 | Mzuni Press, Malawi
Paperback 978-99960-27-09-3 $36.95/£24.95
FUTURE DIRECTIONS of MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT in AFRICA
Edited by Romeela Mohee and Thokozani Simelane

Transformation and rapid population growth in Africa indicates that urbanisation is one of the key determinants of the future of social dynamics and development of the continent. Linked to these changes are increased production levels of Municipal Solid Waste. This book provides recommendations and solutions that derive from current situations, experiences and observations in Africa. The study is an essential tool for urban planners, environmental engineering students and lecturers, environmental consultants and policy-makers; it is also a resource for municipal authorities, as it outlines future directions of Municipal Solid Waste management. These need to be considered by the municipal authorities of most African countries.

268 pages | 244 x 170mm | 2015
Africa Institute of South Africa, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-7983-0423-8 $32.95/£22.95

INNOVATIVE WATER RESOURCE USE and MANAGEMENT FOR POVERTY REDUCTION in SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA
An Anthology
Edited by Paulos Chanie

Like in many parts of the world, water resources in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) have been pivotal for human survival, economic growth, social development, and practicing certain religion and cultural ethos. However, in spite of the intrinsic values of water, its use and management in sub-Saharan Africa has not been without limitations. Whilst there are various efforts by national governments, non-government organizations and communities to effectively and efficiently utilize and manage water resources, there are few comprehensive studies in sub-Saharan Africa that show the impact of the efforts on poverty reduction. This anthology documents various issues including water use and management in agriculture especially in irrigation projects in Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Zimbabwe; water harvesting in Kenya and Uganda; the role of local water use institutions in Ethiopia; and water source maintenance and protection in Uganda.

280 pages | 280 x 216mm | 2014 | OSSREA, Ethiopia
Paperback: 978-99944-55-75-1 $34.95/£24.95
KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION and CONTRADICTORY FUNCTIONS in AFRICAN HIGHER EDUCATION
Edited by Nico Cloete, Peter Maassen and Tracy Bailey

“The dominant global discourse in higher education now focuses on ‘world-class’ universities – inevitably located predominantly in North America, Europe and, increasingly, East Asia. The rest of the world, including Africa, is left to play ‘catch-up’. But that discourse should focus rather on the tensions, even contradictions, between ‘excellence’ and ‘engagement’ with which all universities must grapple. Here the African experience has much to offer the high-participation and generously resourced systems of the so-called ‘developed’ world. This book offers a critical review of that experience, and so makes a major contribution to our understanding of higher education.”

- SIR PETER SCOTT, former editor of Times Higher Education and Professor of Higher Education Studies, University College London, Institute of Education

310 pages | 254 x 178 mm | 2014 | African Minds Publishers, South Africa
Paperback: 978-1-920677-85-5: $42.95/£29.95
eBook: 978-1-920677-87-9: $36.95/£22.95

ALSO OF INTEREST

Driving Change. The Story of the South Africa Norway Tertiary Education Development Programme
Edited by Trish Gibbon

Driving Change tells a story that exemplifies a basic law of physics, known to all - the application of a relatively small lever can shift weight, create movement and initiate change far in excess of its own size. It tells a story about a particular instance of development cooperation, relatively modest in scope and aim that has nonetheless achieved remarkable things and has been held up as an exemplar of its kind.


Higher Education in Portuguese Speaking African Countries
Patrício Vitorino Langa

The report offers a historical overview of the development of higher education in PALOP from colonial times to the present. The main objective of this baseline study is to map the landscape and dynamics of change in the higher education systems of PALOP countries. It focuses on describing the latest developments of trends of expansion, financing, governance and policy reforms closely linked to the development of higher education systems in these countries.

TWENTY YEARS of EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION in GAUTENG 1994 to 2014
Edited by Felix Maringe and Martin Prew

*Twenty Years of Education Transformation in Gauteng 1994 to 2014: An Independent Review* presents a collection of 15 important essays on different aspects of education in Gauteng since the advent of democracy in 1994. These essays talk to what a provincial education department does and how and why it does these things - whether it be about policy, resourcing or implementing projects.

“Twenty Years of Education Transformation in Gauteng 1994 to 2014 is an invaluable contribution to understanding both the challenges and the successes of system-wide education change in South Africa. Authored by some of the leading public sector managers and university scholars, it offers judicious narratives of the complex passage from policy to implementation to institutionalisation.”

- PROF. BRAHM FLEISCH, Professor at the Wits School of Education and Head of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies

358 pages | 254 x 178 mm | 2015 | African Minds Publishers, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-621-42915-2: $46.95/£36.95

ALSO OF INTEREST

Perspectives on Student Affairs in South Africa
Edited by McGlory Speckman and Martin Mandew

The papers in this book deal with matters pertaining to international and national trends in student affairs: academic development, access and retention, counseling, and material support for students coming from disadvantaged backgrounds. The editors are former heads of student affairs portfolios at two leading South African universities.


Systemic School Improvement Interventions in South Africa
Some Practical Lessons from Development Practitioners
Edited by Godwin Khosa

This book is not intended to provide an academic review of the systemic school improvement projects. It is presented rather to offer other development practitioners working to improve the quality of education in South African schools, an understanding of some of the real practical and logistical challenges that arise and how these may be resolved to take further school improvement projects forward at a wider district, provincial and national scale.

120 pages | 2014 | African Minds Publishers, South Africa | Paperback: 978-1-920677-37-4 | $34.95/£24.95
EDUCATIONEERING
Pai Obanya

_Educationeering_ describes the author’s areas of professional academic concern for the past 55 years. Educationeering can be defined as directing the triple academic functions of Research, Teaching and Responsive Social Engagement towards the education challenges of society. The work is presented in three volumes, as follows: Section One: Politics, Society and Education; Section Two: Quality Issues in Education; Section Three: Teacher Development and Higher Education.

PROF. PAI OBANYA is an international Education Strategist and his original ideas are widely discussed throughout Africa.

704 pages | 234 x 156 mm | 2014
HEBN Publishers, Nigeria
Paperback: 978-978-081-455-7 $62.95/£42.95

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION in LOW-INCOME COUNTRIES
A resource book for teacher educators, parent trainers and community development
Lilian Mariga, Roy McConkey, Hellen Myezwa

This book highlights the process of change that is underway internationally. The equalisation of opportunities requires new processes through which the various systems of society such as health services and education are delivered. It means the right for people with disabilities to remain in their communities and to receive the schooling and social supports they need within the ordinary structures available in local communities. Strong advocacy is needed for this to happen. In particular parents need to be empowered, communities mobilised and professionals trained in new ways of working: hence this book. Drawing on experiences in Africa, the book describes the issues to be considered when it comes to implementing inclusive strategies: the processes to be followed and the roles of different sectors, such as people with disabilities, parents, policy makers, educationalists, health and community development professionals and crucially, society at large.

142 pages | 297 x 210mm | 2014
Disability Innovations Africa, South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-9870203-4-5 $24.95/£18.95
GENDER and CITIZENSHIP in the GLOBAL AGE

Edited by Laroussi Amri and Ramola Ramtohul

One of the major issues this book examines is what the African experience and identity have contributed to the debate on citizenship in the era of globalisation. The volume presents case studies of different African contexts, illustrating the gendered aspects of citizenship as experienced by African men and women. Citizenship carries manifold gendered aspects and given the distinct gender roles and responsibilities, globalisation affects citizenship in different ways. It further examines new forms of citizenship emerging from the current era dominated by a neoliberal focus. The book is not exclusive in terms of theorisation but its focus on African contexts, with an in-depth analysis taking into consideration local culture and practices and their implications for citizenship, provides a good foundation for further scholarly work on gender and citizenship in Africa.

LAROUSSI AMRI is a sociologist, researcher and senior member of CODESRIA.

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348 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 | CODESRIA, Senegal
Paperback: 978-2-86978-589-2: $34.95/£24.95

ALSO OF INTEREST

Accès à l’eau pour les agricultrices sahéliennes
Enjeux pour une démocratie inclusive
Edited by Rosnert Ludovic Alissoutin and Ramata Molo Thioune


194 pages | 2014 | Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon | Paperback: 978-9956-791-21-7 | $26.95/£19.95

SADC Gender Protocol 2014 Barometer

Edited by Colleen Lowe Morna


420 pages | 2014 | Gender Links, South Africa | Paperback: 978-0-9922433-0-2 | $54.95/£38.95
RECLAIMING AFRIKAN
Queer Perspectives on Sexual and Gender Identities
Edited by Zethu Matabeni

Reclaiming Afrikan: queer perspectives on sexual and gender identities is a collaboration and collection of art, photography and critical essays interrogating the meanings and everyday practices of queer life in Africa today. In Reclaiming Afrikan authors, activists and artists from Nigeria, Uganda, Zambia, Kenya and South Africa offer fresh perspectives on queer life; how gender and sexuality can be understood in Africa as ways of reclaiming identities in the continent. Africa is known to be harsh towards people with non-conforming genders and sexual identities. It is within this framework that Reclaiming Afrikan exists to respond to such violations and to offer alternative ways of thinking and being in the continent.

The book appropriates ‘Afrika’ and ‘queer’ to affirm sexual identities that are ordinarily shamed and violated by prejudice and hatred. The use of ‘k’ in Afrika signals an appropriation of an identity and belonging that is always detached from a ‘queer’ person. ‘Queer’ in this book is understood as an inquiry into the present, as a critical space that pushes the boundaries of what is embraced as normative. The artists and authors included in this text are ‘queer’ themselves and occupy spaces that speak back to hegemony. For many, this position challenges various norms on gender, sexuality, and existence and offers a subversive way of being.

ZETHU MATEBENI is a Researcher at the Institute for Humanities in Africa (HUMA) at the University of Cape Town. She has worked for many years on issues of sexuality and gender, in particular within the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender movement in South Africa and currently Swaziland. Zethu is an activist, academic and documentary filmmaker who has published on queer issues, gender nonconformity, lesbian issues, popular culture, HIV/ AIDS and sexual identities.

76 pages | 280 x 210mm | 2014 | Colour Photographs
Modjaji Books, South Africa
Paperback: 978-1-920590-49-9 $32.95/£22.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:

UNDER PRESSURE. The Regulation of Sexualities in South African Secondary Schools
Deevia Bhana

Drawing on in-depth interviews with learners, teachers, school managers and parents, the book offers a compelling portrait of an education system rife with homophobia. It provides a detailed account of how school communities understand and respond to homosexuality, and in doing so uncovers a persistent culture of enforced heterosexuality. But Under Pressure also offers a way forward. It reveals an enormous potential for diversity programmes and identifies a number of entry points for change.

270 pages | 234 x 156 mm | 2015 |
Modjaji Books, South Africa
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SOUTHERN WEST CAMEROON REVISITED (1950-1972) VOLUME ONE
Unveiling Inescapable Traps
Anthony Ndi

378 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 | Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-791-44-6 $36.95/£24.95

SOUTHERN WEST CAMEROON REVISITED VOLUME TWO
North-South West Nexus 1858-1972
Anthony Ndi

276 pages | 229 x 152 mm | 2014 | Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-791-32-3 $32.95/£22.95

“In his new work, Anthony Ndi bombards us with exciting new revelations about the events leading up to the reunification of Cameroon and beyond. What counts for many still today as a tragic historical memory, is given substance and cause in his careful analysis of the sources available, now reinforced by new materials released since 2012 from the archives of the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office. Ndi’s focus on the personalities of the major players leading to the breaking of the promise made by the British to support independence for Southern Cameroons and the subsequent plebiscite decision to re-join La République du Cameroun, enriches our understanding of the mixture of shrewd tactics by and naive blunders of the many that actually shaped events. As a case study in the realities of how decisions were made and later regretted in a period of quite shameful indiscretion, we are given a salutary account of how a history that hitherto had been written from the standpoint of the victor, needed to be and here is rewritten from that of the vanquished.”

- MICHAEL ROWLANDS, Emeritus Professor of Anthropology and Material Culture, University College London

“A monumental treatise with startling revelation on Cameroons’ national history, written with superb confidence....”

- PROFESSOR TAFAH EDOKAT OKI EDWARD, Vice Chancellor, University of Bamenda

“... written by a luminous historiographer [...] the historical plot espoused by the author resides in a setting of controversies where the tension between the force of argument and the argument of force seem to be conspicuously evident and where rhetoric and reality stand astride”

- MATHEW BASUNG GWANFOGBE, PhD, Associate Professor of History, University of Bamenda.

“Anthony Ndi argues forcefully and convincingly that Ahidjo’s ‘bad faith’ and determination to introduce a centralized personal authoritarian rule largely explains the failure of the Federal Republic of Cameroon... without a fair trial period”

- PROFESSOR TAZOACHA ASONGANYI, The University of Yaounde I
AFRICAN MODERNITIES and MOBILITIES
An Historical Ethnography of Kom, Cameroon, C. 1800-2008
Walter Gam Nkwi

In this book Walter Gam Nkwi documents the complexities and nuances embedded in African modernities and mobilities which have been overlooked in historical discourses in Africa and Cameroon. Using an ethnographic historical approach and drawing on the intricacies of what it has meant to be and belong in Kom- an ethnic community in the Northwest Region of Cameroon - since 1800, he explores the discourses and practices of kfaang as central to any understanding of mobility and modernity in Kom, Cameroon and Africa at large. The book unveils the emic understanding of modernity through the history and ethnography of kfaang and its technologies and illustrates how these terminologies were conceived and perceived by the Kom people in their social and physical mobilities. It documents and analyzes the historical processes involved in bringing about and making kfaang a defining feature of everyday life in Kom and among Kom subjects.

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Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-762-72-9 $62.95/£42.95

The REUNIFICATION DEBATE in BRITISH SOUTHERN CAMEROONS
THE ROLE OF FRENCH CAMEROON IMMIGRANTS
Joseph Nfi Lon

This book is a succinct account of the role immigrants from French Cameroon played in the Reunification politics in the Southern Cameroons. The study reveals that these “strangers” organised themselves in Pressure Groups in order to fight for equal opportunities with the indigenes and when such opportunities were not coming, they initiated the Reunification Idea, propagated it and converted many reluctant Southern Cameroonians. They militated in pro-reunification political parties such as the KNC, KNDP, UPC and OK and successfully shifted the reunification idea from the periphery to the centre of Southern Cameroons decolonisation politics. The immigrants convinced the UN through petitions and reunification which was the most unpopular option for independence became one of the two alternatives at the 1961 plebiscite. They and the reluctant KNDP campaigned and voted for it. The Reunification of Cameroon was therefore the handiwork of French Cameroon immigrants.

408 pages | 229 x 252mm | 2014
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
Paperback: 978-9956-791-67-5 $39.95/£29.95
National Culture in Post-Apartheid Namibia
addresses the challenges of creating a 'national' culture in the context of a historical legacy that has emphasised ethnic diversity. The state-sponsored Annual National Culture Festival (ANCF) focuses on the Kavango region in northeastern Namibia. Akuupa critically examines the notion of Kavango-ness as a colonial construct and its subsequent reconstitution and appropriation. He analyses the way in which cultural representations are produced by local people in the postcolonial African context of nation building and national reconciliation by bringing visions of cosmopolitanism and modernity into critical dialogue with the colonial past. Competing cultural festivals are used as celebratory social spaces in which performers and local people participate whilst negotiating a sense of national belonging in an ongoing tension between the need to celebrate diversity, yet strive for unity. This is the first study to discuss the comprehensive role played by those cultural festivals, which were organised in the ethnic homelands during the time Namibia fell under South African control.

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Traders and Trade in Colonial Ovamboland
Elite Formation and the Politics of Consumption under Indirect Rule and Apartheid
Edited by Paulos Chanie

Taking the history of trade and of traders as its subject matter, this book offers the first economic history of northern Namibia during the twentieth century. It traces Namibia’s way from a rural, largely self-relying society into a globalised economy of consumption. This transformation built on colonial economic activities, but it was crucially shaped by local traders, a new social elite emerging during the 1950s and 1960s. Becoming a trader was one of the few possibilities for black Namibians to gain monetary income at home. It was a pathway out of migrant labour, to new status in the local society and often to prosperity. Politically, most traders occupied a middle ground: content of their own social position, but intent on political emancipation from colonial rule. Economically, their energy and business acumen transformed northern Namibia into an increasingly urban consumer society. The development path they chose, however, depended too much on the colonial reserve economy to remain sustainable after 1990. Their legacy still shapes spatial and social structures in northern Namibia, but most traders’ businesses have today closed down. By telling the history of the rise and decline of traders and trade in northern Namibia, this book is thus also a reflection on the conundrums of economic development under conditions of structural inequality.

280 pages | 244 x 170 mm | 2014
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The GENDER POLITICS of the NAMIBIAN LIBERATION STRUGGLE
Martha Akawa

Women’s contributions against apartheid under the auspices of the Namibian liberation movement SWAPO and their personal experiences in exile take center stage in this study. Male and female leadership structures in exile are analysed whilst the sexual politics in the refugee camps and the public imagery of female representation in SWAPO’s nationalism receive special attention. The party’s public pronouncements of women empowerment and gender equality are compared to the actual implementations of gender politics during and after the liberation struggle.

MARTHA AKAWA obtained her PhD from the University of Basel (Switzerland) for the thesis which comprises this book. She is the Head of the Department of Geography, History and Environmental Studies at the University of Namibia in Windhoek.

246 pages | 244 x 170 mm | 2014
Basler Afrika Bibliographien, Switzerland
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TREADING the WATERS of HISTORY
Perspectives on the ANC
Edited by Kwanediwe Merriman Kondlo, Chris Saunders and Siphamandla Zondi

This volume is an anthology of thought-pieces about the ANC, contributed by a variety of scholars and thinkers. It gives voice to a variety of perspectives on the subject. The fact that some authors disagree with each other is all part of what we hope will be an ongoing debate. The book originated from a series of public dialogues that began before the centenary year and continued afterwards, being held at the University of Free State.

The first section covers reflections on how knowledge of the history of the ANC has advanced and the position of that history in the general history of the liberation struggle. This section aids a critical appraisal of the state of primary sources used in writing the history of the ANC. Chapters in the second half of the book, consider some of the various contexts in which the ANC has operated, and continues to operate. These include the evolution of the ANC’s economic policy and how it has changed over time; the kind of leadership the organisation provided in redefining gender relations and most importantly the ANC and international relations, especially seen from the vantage point of ‘progressive internationalism’. The last section examines the evolution of Pan-Africanism in the ANC’s ideological development.

218 pages | 244 x 170 mm | 2014
Africa Institute of South Africa
Paperback: 978-0-7983-0479-5 $29.95/£20.95
A CONCISE HISTORY of SOUTH SUDAN
New and Revised Edition
Edited by Anders Breidlid

This new and revised edition of A Concise History of South Sudan was revised by Avelino Androga Said, Yosa Wawa, Anne Farren and Anders Breidlid. All chapters were revised and a new chapter on the period from the referendum in 2011 to the period after independence has been added. When the first edition was published in 2010 it was the first history book of its kind in the now South Sudan. This first edition was primarily intended for secondary schools in South Sudan, but the book proved to arouse great interest to many other South Sudanese both inside South Sudan as well as in the diaspora. This was not surprising since it was the first history book on South Sudan to cover, albeit not in detail, the whole history from the origin of mankind to the present. The book may be of interest to students, academicians, politicians and civil society groups such as churches and youth and women’s groups. The first, original edition of this book was produced as a result of extensive team work, and the majority of the contributors are South Sudanese citizens, either living in South Sudan or in the diaspora.

ANDERS BREIDLID is at Oslo University College, Norway.

394 pages | 210 x 148 mm | 2014
Fountain Publishers, Uganda
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ALSO OF INTEREST:

FROM BUSH TO BUSH
Journey to Liberty in South Sudan
Steven Wondu

The story follows Wondu’s trails from the bushes of South Sudan and attempts to synthesize the historical precedents leading to the long war in the Sudan. Written at the dawn of a new nation for the South Sudanese the author conveys the depressing impact of war on individual and family life. He captures the intricate reality where distrust and fear of Muslims and Arabs found root in the minds of the South Sudanese.

272 pages | 210 x 148 mm | 2011 | East African Educational Publishers, Kenya
Paperback 978-9966-25-794-9 $34.95/£24.95
MULTILINGUALISM, LANGUAGE in EDUCATION, and ACADEMIC LITERACY
Applied Linguistics Research in the Language Centre
Edited by Gordon SK Adika and Charles C. Asante

The Language Centre was founded in 1970 as a language research department in the University of Ghana, under the then Faculty of Arts. Its mandate was to focus on research and teaching related to the improvement of performance in English, the official language, and the various Ghanaian languages as vectors of education, culture and community interaction. Since the 1970s, the Centre has been focusing on research related to language learning, teaching and assessment, language endangerment and documentation, multilingualism, intercultural communication, and the interconnected areas of language and literature. This book, in essence, reflects these research areas, but more than that the constitutive research articles were produced jointly or severally by different generations of directors and research fellows of the Centre, over the four decades of the organization’s existence. The ten chapters of this commemorative anthology comprise selected research articles from a very large pool of previously published works with continuing relevance, as well as more recent works that have not yet been published. The book is not designed for release as a discrete and independent publication. On the contrary, it feeds into a much wider set of commemorative collections from diverse units, all of which are thematically linked in a manner designed to project the mission of the University of Ghana.

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CHARLES C. ASANTE is a Lecturer at the University of Ghana Language Centre

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Sub-Saharan Publishers, Ghana
Paperback: 978-9988-550-11-0 $32.95/£22.95

ALSO OF INTEREST:

MIAKA HAMSINI YA KISWAHILI NCHINI KENYA
Edited by Inyani Simala and Leonard Chacha

Fifty Years of Kiswahili in Kenya is a collection of articles that were presented at an international Kiswahili conference organized by the National Kiswahili Association (CHAKITA) Kenya in 2013, which was held at the Catholic University of Eastern Africa (CUEA). A few articles are however from a similar conference held in 2012 at Kenyatta University. The book exemplifies the importance of the Kiswahili language in various sectors of society.

288 pages | 210 x 148 mm | 2015
Twaweza Communications, Kenya
Paperback 978-9966-028-48-8 $32.95/£22.95 Swahili
CAMFRANGLAIS: The Making of a New Language in Cameroonian Literature
Peter W. Vakunta

This study raises awareness to the emergence of a new genre in world literature-hybridized literature. It rejects the assumption according to which literatures written in less commonly taught languages should be subsumed into one universally accessible global idiom. Instead, Vakunta challenges literary scholars and readers of literature to regard untranslatability as the key to cross-cultural engagement. The book’s multiple approaches and innumerable sources generate complex interdisciplinary connections and provide an excellent introduction to a complex literary phenomenon alien to literati resident outside the officially bilingual multicultural and multilingual Republic of Cameroon.

“Dr. Peter Vakunta masterfully leads the reader on an exploration of the emergence of Camfranglais from both sociopolitical and linguistic perspectives in this book. A thorough discussion of the many issues surrounding cultural identity and language use in contemporary Cameroon, the author offers a cogent argument for the recognition of Camfranglais as a legitimate literary language employed for nuanced expression concomitantly with Cameroonian national identity.”

- Dr. ERIN N. O’REILLY, Associate Professor, Defense Language Institute, Foreign Language Center, Monterey, California.

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Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
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KPEWI DURORP
Language of the Bororp of the Korup ethnic group
Ekpe Inyang

Kpewi Durorp is the third attempt at bringing Durorp into the public domain, and is a more detailed introduction to the language. It contains sixteen chapters which address important elements of grammar, with some including mini bilingual dictionaries, with words organised not alphabetically but thematically, with the singular aim of facilitating learning and easy acquisition of the language. Durorp is an interesting and linguistically distinct semi-Bantu or Bantoid language spoken by a minority group of people known as Bororp or people of the Kororp ethnic group. A part of this ethnic group inhabits the Southwestern part of Cameroon while the other occupies the Southeastern tip of Nigeria. A minority group, Kororp has continued to suffer not only cultural and socio-economic shrinkage but also linguistic marginalisation characterised by an obvious erosion of some key elements of the language. Like any other language, however, Durorp has borrowings from languages such as Efik, Ejagham, and even English. There is a Durorp-English Dictionary to facilitate the development of Durorp vocabulary (Langaa, 2013).

124 pages | 216 x 140 mm | 2014
Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon
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DICTIONNAIRE
DAN – Français
(dan de l’Est)
Valentin Vydrine

Eastern Dan-French dictionary, preceded by a grammar sketch, is the first and only dictionary of this language spoken in Western Côte d’Ivoire by half a million people. Both in dictionary and in the grammar sketch, lexical and grammatical tones are marked throughout. Polysemy and idiomatics are broadly represented, dictionary entries include abundant illustrative examples reflecting the cultural specifics of Dan. The dictionary has a French-Dan index. The publication is oriented both to Dan languages learners and professional linguists; it can be also used by the native speakers of Dan.

370 pages | 2015
MeaBooks Inc, Canada
Paperback: 978-0-9939969-0-0
$39.95/£26.95
French

DICTIONNAIRE
DAN – Français
(dan de l’Ouest)
Anna Erman and Japhet Kahouye Loh

Western Dan-French dictionary is the first and only dictionary of this language spoken in Western Côte d’Ivoire by half a million people. In the Dictionary, lexical and grammatical tones are marked throughout. Polysemy and idiomatics are broadly represented, dictionary entries include abundant illustrative examples reflecting the cultural specifics of Dan. The dictionary has a French-Dan index. The publication is oriented both to Dan languages learners and professional linguists; it can be also used by the native speakers of Dan.

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MANDING-ENGLISH DICTIONARY.
Maninka, Bamana Vol. 1.
Valentin Vydrine

Manding is a common name for several closely related languages in West Africa: Maninka (or Malinke), Bamana (or Bambara), Jula, Mandinka, Xasonka, etc., spoken by up to 40 million people. In this dictionary, forms of Malian Bamana and Guinean Maninka are included. The polysemy of words is represented in all details, the senses are represented hierarchically. Verbal valencies are indicated throughout and clarified by abundant illustrative examples. Numerous idiomatic expressions are given. Most of lexemes are provided with etymological information: sources of borrowing or proto-forms and their reflexes in other Mande languages. The dictionary is oriented toward advanced language learners and professional linguists, but it can be also useful for native speakers of Bamana and Maninka languages.

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The late APOLO ROBIN NSIBAMBI was a professor of Political Science and Public Administration. He was Prime Minister of Uganda and Leader of Government Business in Parliament from 5 April 1999 to 10 June 2011. He has 54 publications including a book on decentralisation and civil society in Uganda: The Quest for Good Governance, 1998.

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