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INTERNATIONAL ONLINE CONFERENCE CALL FOR PAPER

Themes:

INSECURITY AND THE NIGERIAN STATE

Date: July 15 - 16, 2021

The insecurity problem in Nigeria has rapidly become devastating, and it now requires a multipronged approach in quelling its threats to Nigeria's statehood. As a result, beyond viewing Nigeria's current security dilemma through political and other bureaucratic lenses, a scholarly approach has become necessary through a rigorous cross-examination of the Nigerian imbroglio in the 21st Century.

Insecurity is precarious to statehood, and it threatens the peaceful co-existence of people in a country. Unfortunately, this is the reality in Nigeria today and, despite measures and efforts undertaken by the Nigerian state, insecurity and criminal activities are ubiquitous and are on the upsurge (Olayiwola 2020). Some on-going events with consequential results for Nigeria in the presently are:

- Unrelenting activities of Boko-Haram in the North-East
- Resurgence of herders v. rural farmers violence in North-Central
- Rural banditry and kidnapping in North-West
- Ritual-killings, cultism, and the illegal occupation of forests by Fulani-herders
- Uncontrolled clashes between Fulani-herders and host communities in the South-West
- Clash between IPOB members and the state security agencies
- Kidnapping in the South-East of Nigeria
- Recurrent militants' attacks on oil installations,

The above listed acts with the panoply of terrorism do not just impinge on the daily lives of the ordinary Nigerian people, but they do have severe implications that could hasten disintegration, heighten underdevelopment and poverty, foment discouragement of foreign direct investment, and escalate calls for secession: conditions Kofi Anan (2004), the former UN boss, enunciated almost two decades ago.

Conference

This call for papers is the precursor of an academic conference that would take place in 15-16 July 2021, which aims at provoking robust discussions on the Nigerian security dilemma, assessments of the implications of insecurity for the Nigerian state, and insightful recommendations that could serve as solutions for the security problem in Nigeria.

The conference aims, also, at evaluating strategies that the Nigerian state has adopted in her effort at curbing insecurity and re-branding the country's damaged public image in the international system.

Papers are invited from policymakers, academics, researchers, civil society actors, development partners, government functionaries, and postgraduate students from within and beyond the African continent on the following conference themes and sub-themes:

- Theoretical underpinnings of insecurity in Nigeria
- The thriving conflict economies of insecurity in Nigeria
- Politicisation of insecurity in Nigeria
- Ethnicity and insecurity in Nigeria
- Indigenous Knowledge Systems and insecurity in the Nigerian state
- The curricula, educational system and insecurity in Nigeria
- Irregular internal migration and insecurity in Nigeria
- Insecurity and Statehood in Nigeria
- Traditional institutions and insecurity in Nigeria
- Uncontrolled and ungoverned space and insecurity
- Development partners and collaborations in the fight against insecurity in Nigeria
- Human rights issues in the fight against insecurity in Nigeria
- The media and insecurity in Nigeria
- Implications of insecurity for the Nigerian state
- Religion, religious institutions, and insecurity in Nigeria
- Civil-military relations and insecurity in Nigeria
- Digital technologies and insecurity in Nigeria
- Nigerian parliament and insecurity issues in Nigeria
- Hate speech, fake news, and insecurity in Nigeria
- Policy initiatives, interventions, and control of insecurity in Nigeria.

Participants would be providing an electronic copy of well-researched original essays with clear methodological and theoretical perspectives of not less than 6000 words to the organizers of this conference.

Interested participants should submit their abstracts, including keywords and short bio(s) of author(s) not exceeding 300 words, to the e-mail accounts below for consideration:

IMPORTANT DATES

15 June 2021: Submission of abstract due
17 June 2021: Decision on abstracts announced
10 July 2021: Full papers submitted
10-15 July 2021: Registration for conference
15-16 July 2021: Conference

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CONFERENCE FEES:

- International Participants: \$ 200
- Nigerian Participants: N10, 000

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