



African Philosophy and Global Ethical Discourse: A Malian Perspective

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Abstract

African philosophy has gained increasing attention in global intellectual discourse, particularly within the field of arts and humanities. Mali, as a culturally rich nation with a long history of philosophical thought, offers unique insights into these discussions. The study employs a qualitative analysis of existing literature, including scholarly articles, interviews with Malian philosophers, and secondary data from cultural events and publications. A significant finding is the prevalence of themes such as ubuntu (community) and respect for elders in both traditional and modern philosophical discussions within Mali. These themes resonate with global ethical concerns about social cohesion and intergenerational relationships. This research highlights the importance of Malian philosophical perspectives in addressing contemporary global ethical challenges, particularly those related to community and respect across generations. Further studies should focus on integrating Malian philosophical insights into educational curricula and policy-making processes to promote cross-cultural understanding and dialogue.

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