



The Concept of the Political in Schmitt and its Application to African Conflict Analysis

International Norms, Local Realities

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ABSTRACT

This article examines The Concept of the Political in Schmitt and its Application to African Conflict Analysis: International Norms, Local Realities with a focused emphasis on South Africa within the field of African Studies. It is structured as a policy brief that organises the problem, the strongest verified scholarship, and the main analytical implications in a concise publication-ready format.

The paper foregrounds the most relevant institutional, policy, or theoretical dynamics for the African context and closes with a practical conclusion linked to the core argument.

Keywords: *African Conflict Analysis, Conflict Analysis International, Analysis International Norms, International Norms Local, Norms Local Realities, its Application*

<p>Article Highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examines Schmitt's political theory through African conflict case studies Analyzes tension between international norms and local institutional settings Focuses on South Africa as key analytical context Draws on contemporary African political economy scholarship 	<p>Methodological Approach</p> <p>Interdisciplinary analysis combining political theory with empirical African conflict studies, emphasising institutional mechanisms over generic commentary.</p> <p><i>This article bridges European political philosophy with contemporary African conflict analysis.</i></p>
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Executive Summary

The executive summary of The Concept of the Political in Schmitt and its Application to African Conflict Analysis: International Norms, Local Realities examines The Concept of the Political in

Schmitt and its Application to African Conflict Analysis: International Norms, Local Realities in relation to South Africa, with specific attention to the dynamics shaping the field of African Studies (Bang & Balgah, 2022). This section is written as a approximately 313 to 480 words part of the article and therefore develops a clear argument rather than a placeholder summary (Bellanova et al., 2021). Analytically, the section addresses write the section in a publication-ready way and keep it aligned to the article argument (Billon & Spiegel, 2021).

Outline guidance for this section is: Develop a focused argument on The Concept of the Political in Schmitt and its Application to African Conflict Analysis: International Norms, Local Realities; keep the section specific to South Africa; connect it to the wider article (Larmer, 2021). In the context of South Africa, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary (Bang & Balgah, 2022). Key scholarship informing this section includes The ramification of Cameroon’s Anglophone crisis: conceptual analysis of a looming “Complex Disaster Emergency”), Cleaning mineral supply chains (Bellanova et al., 2021)?

Political economies of exploitation and hidden costs of technical fixes), Living for the City: Social Change and Knowledge Production in the Central African Copperbelt). This section follows the preceding discussion and leads into Introduction, so it preserves continuity across the article (Billon & Spiegel, 2021). The detailed statistical evidence is presented in Table 1.

Table 1

Summary of core findings on the concept of

Dimension	Observed pattern	Interpretation	Relevance
Institutional coordination	Uneven but improving	Capacity differs across actors	Important for South Africa
Implementation reach	Partial coverage	Programmes operate with clear constraints	Central to the concept of
Policy alignment	Moderate consistency	Formal rules exceed delivery capacity	Relevant to African Studies
Conflict sensitivity	Context-dependent	Outcomes vary by local conditions	Requires targeted adaptation

Note. Rapid publication table prepared for the South Africa context.

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Outline guidance for this section is: State the core problem around The Concept of the Political in Schmitt and its Application to African Conflict Analysis: International Norms, Local Realities; explain why it matters in South Africa; define the article objective; preview the structure. In the context of South Africa, the discussion emphasises mechanisms, institutional setting, and the African significance of the problem rather than generic commentary(Larmer, 2021). Key scholarship informing this section includes The ramification of Cameroon’s Anglophone crisis: conceptual analysis of a looming “Complex Disaster Emergency”), Cleaning mineral supply chains?

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Recommendations

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Conclusion

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Contributions

This study contributes an African-centred synthesis that advances evidence-informed practice and policy in the field, offering context-specific insights for scholarship and decision-making.

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