



Pan-Africanism in Uganda: Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st Century

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Abstract

{ "background": "Pan-Africanism has been a significant force in African politics since the early 20th century, advocating for unity and self-determination among black peoples across the continent. Uganda's government has historically embraced Pan-Africanist ideals as part of its foreign policy and domestic integration strategies.", "purposeandobjectives": "This study aims to analyse the challenges and opportunities presented by Pan-Africanism in contemporary Ugandan politics, focusing on how these ideals influence governance, regional relations, and societal cohesion. The objectives are to identify key policies that support Pan-Africanist goals and assess their effectiveness within a Ugandan context.", "methodology": "The analysis is based on secondary data from governmental documents, academic literature, and interviews with policymakers and civil society representatives. A qualitative content analysis approach is employed to interpret the discourses related to Pan-Africanism in Ugandan political discourse.", "findings": "Pan-Africanist policies have achieved notable success in enhancing regional cooperation within East Africa, particularly through initiatives such as the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA). However, there are challenges in balancing Pan-African goals with local governance structures, leading to tensions between national interests and broader African aspirations.", "conclusion": "While Pan-Africanism has contributed positively to Uganda's regional integration efforts, it also necessitates a more nuanced approach that considers the diverse socio-political contexts within which these policies operate. Future research should explore how Ugandan leaders can better align Pan-Africanist frameworks with local realities without compromising on national sovereignty.", "recommendations": "To address the identified challenges, Ugandan policymakers should consider developing hybrid governance models that integrate Pan-Africanist principles with traditional hierarchical structures. Additionally, fostering dialogue between different sectors of society could help mitigate conflicts arising from divergent interpretations of Pan-Africanism.", "keywords": "Pan-Africanism, Uganda, Regional Integration, Policy Analysis",

"contributionstatement": "This study offers a detailed analysis of how Pan-Africanist policies are implemented and perceived in

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