



Pan-Africanism in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities in Kenya's Context

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Abstract

Pan-Africanism has been a significant force in African Studies for decades, with Kenya serving as a pivotal case study due to its diverse cultural and political landscape. This qualitative study employs semi-structured interviews with key informants from various sectors including academia, civil society organizations, governmental bodies, and community leaders to gather data on Pan-Africanism's impact in Kenya. The thematic analysis approach is used for data interpretation. Findings indicate that while Pan-Africanism offers a sense of unity and cultural pride among Kenyans, it faces significant challenges related to resource allocation and political engagement, particularly in marginalized regions where support for pan-Africanist initiatives lags behind urban areas. The study concludes that despite these challenges, the potential benefits of Pan-Africanism remain substantial, especially in fostering a more inclusive national identity. However, there is an urgent need to address existing disparities and enhance inclusivity within Pan-Africanist movements. Recommendations include strengthening community-based initiatives, improving resource distribution across regions, and advocating for greater political representation of marginalized groups within Pan-Africanist movements.

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