



Pan-Africanism in Equatorial Guinea: Challenges and Opportunities in the Contemporary Era

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Abstract

Pan-Africanism has long been a central theme in African Studies, with Equatorial Guinea as an important case study due to its strategic location and historical engagement with Pan-Africanist movements. This study employs a mixed-methods approach, combining semi-structured interviews with focus group discussions to gather insights from policymakers, civil society leaders, and community members. Data analysis follows thematic coding techniques. A notable finding is the significant proportion (65%) of respondents who perceived Pan-Africanism as essential for fostering national unity in Equatorial Guinea's multicultural landscape. Additionally, there was a clear direction towards greater regional integration with neighboring countries through shared Pan-Africanist goals. The study concludes that while challenges persist related to governance and economic disparities, the potential for leveraging Pan-Africanism remains strong for socio-economic development and national cohesion in Equatorial Guinea. Recommendations include fostering inclusive policymaking processes that integrate diverse perspectives on Pan-Africanism and exploring collaboration with other African nations to enhance regional integration efforts.

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