



Pan-Africanism in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities in Kenyan Context,

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Abstract

Pan-Africanism has been a significant force in African Studies for decades, with Kenya serving as an important case study due to its historical and contemporary engagements with Pan-African ideologies. This study employs a thematic analysis approach to examine primary data collected through semi-structured interviews with 30 participants representing various sectors of Kenyan society. The analysis is guided by existing literature on Pan-Africanism and its manifestations in Africa. Findings indicate that while there was significant engagement with Pan-African ideals, the implementation often faced constraints such as cultural diversity and economic disparities, leading to a fragmented approach rather than a cohesive national strategy. Despite these challenges, the study reveals opportunities for improved integration of Pan-African principles into Kenyan policies and practices through targeted community-based initiatives and cross-sectoral collaboration. Recommendations include fostering intercultural dialogue at all levels to enhance understanding and acceptance of Pan-African ideals, as well as integrating Pan-African perspectives in education curricula to promote national unity and identity.

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