

Call For Papers (CfP)

Title of The Book

The Underdevelopment Burden of Poor Countries: Contexts and Solutions

The ultimate objective of this book is to contribute emphatically to knowledge on the unanswered questions of why poor countries across the world remain rooted in underdevelopment and subsist as burden not only to themselves but the world at large, including being burdensome to developed countries. This book is very important particularly against the background of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that intend to leave no one behind in development terms. Many international and regional development frameworks, initiatives and efforts have been institutionalised over the years, yet there appears to be no end in sight to underdevelopment debacle of poor countries even as they remain burdens to global societies (both developing and developed countries). While there has been institutionalisation of development support systems like aids, grants, loans and other development assistances to the poor countries, these have not really worked and in many instances, they have become problems rather than solutions. It is fundamentally important for every global actor and country to, therefore, interrogate, once again, why the poor countries mostly remain poor and subsist as burden and why previous development efforts have failed. This is to then be able to retool towards solutions that can work so that all nations can progress towards sustainable development.

The approach being adopted in this book is crucial because in the age of globalisation, leaving poor countries behind in their development conundrum is not only dangerous to the poor countries themselves but inimical to all nations including developed ones. Thus, the strategic necessity and important of this book. This book addresses crucial issues around the underdevelopment of poor countries in policy and practical terms so as to provide innovative and realistic workable solutions towards solving the underdevelopment problems.

Interdisciplinarity:

This very important book will be interdisciplinary. Authours are therefore invited from different countries of the world and from various disciplinary background in as much as they have necessary knowledge and relevant methodologies to contribute new and original ideas and data within the remit of the book. Empirical chapters are particularly invited. Chapters based on primary and secondary data are encouraged. Theoretical chapters with contributions of new knowledge are however also invited. The editor is interested in working with different established and young scholars from both developed and developing countries to contribute to knowledge in this very vexing and important area of development knowledge and practice.

This book is very unique through offering of global perspectives, original case studies, strategic engagements with practical policy and practice issues, relevant methodologies and problem-solving analytical insights.

Language and originality

Language of communication and publication is English. Expected Originality Threshold and Similarity Index is maximum of 10%.

Themes for Expected Chapters (all must focus on poor countries and solutions to their underdevelopment):

1. Conceptualising Development and Underdevelopment
2. Extent, dynamics and structures of underdevelopment of poor countries: A global perspective
3. Theorising under/development of poor countries
4. Poverty and poor countries
5. Governance and under/development
6. Corruption and under/development
7. Youth exclusion and under/development
8. Gender and under/development
9. Insecurity, conflicts and under/development
10. Globalisation and under/development
11. Education and under/development
12. Economy and under/development
13. Politics and under/development
14. Family and under/development
15. Religion and under/development
16. (social)media and under/development
17. Health and under/development
18. Migration, Brain drain. Brain gain and under/development
19. Agriculture and (under)development
20. Natural resources, Resource curse and under/development
21. Any other relevant topic

How To Submit Your Abstract/Chapter

Interested authors/contributors should send abstracts and/or full papers as email attachments to: **yakanle@yahoo.com** (with copies to **olayinkaakanle75@gmail.com**, **o.akanle@ui.edu.ng**).

Chapter preparation format is Time New Romans 12 1.5-line spacing.

Abstract should be about 150 words and full chapter should be 5,000 and 7, 000 words.

Structure of abstract should be topic, background/problem statement, objectives, methodology, findings, conclusion and recommendations

Deadline: The deadline for submission of abstracts is 30th December, 2021.

It is however noteworthy that review and acceptance will be on **rolling and continuous** basis. Authours of selected abstracts will be contacted with decisions of acceptance and invited to submit full chapters for publication considerations.

Once sufficient excellent chapters are received on proposed themes/topics (above), no more abstract/chapter will be received/accepted on the theme.

Abstracts and chapters should normally include proposed title of chapters, name/s of author/s, functional email addresses and institutional affiliations of author/s.

Submission of abstracts and full chapters are now open.

Publisher: A world class/Top rated/ Leading publishing house

Publication Fee: Authour/s of accepted chapters will NOT pay any fee

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Thank you very much.