



CALL FOR PAPERS

Africa is now the most conflictive region of the world, due to the persistence and multiplication of armed conflicts, recurrent seizures for the conquest of power and the exploitation of resources, the development of terrorism and the religious extremism, maritime piracy, border crime, threats due to global warming.

Faced with this situation that maintains endemic insecurity and violence, it is necessary to lead a scientific thinking to grasp the causes, issues and challenges.

Foreign researchers have some priority in this area by the multiplicity of their scientific writings and valuing their expertise. However security issues are an area of growing interest for African researchers. Studies and research are initiated, forums, such as the Forum on Peace and Security in Africa, allow exchanges between stakeholders, policy makers and researchers.

Key aspects of these phenomena are still little studied, such as the relationship with the political and economic situations, strategies and organizational arrangements of political violence, the situation of youth, the theoretical and strategic tools for the definition of a policy of security.

Given this situation, the **Félix Houphouët-Boigny Foundation for Peace Research**, in partnership with the **Institute Africa World** intends to "**The security challenges in Africa**", the central theme of a special issue of the academic journal "**Dialogue and Peace**". It will be launching a call for contributions towards all researchers and scholars interested in this topic.

The items offered will be structured around three themes:

- **The thematic section 1:** "inventory of African research on security issues and challenges"

The articles will focus on the state of research in theoretical and methodological level, on empirical analyzes on research directions.

- **The thematic section2:** "security challenges"

Will be addressed in this section the main security challenges:

Armed conflicts, community conflicts, political conflicts (elections, leadership conflicts, political instability), terrorism and religious fundamentalism, piracy,



cross-border crime (arms trafficking, trafficking illicit drug and human trafficking), cybercrime, the exploitation of resources, global warming. The articles will address these issues in a synthetically or from case studies.

- **The thematic section 3:** "The answers to security issues and challenges" Preference will be: conflict prevention, analysis of various military interventions, security policies implemented at the continental and regional level, social development (the situation of youth, education, training, employment). Strategic and forward thinking can be another axis of treatment of the issue.

The proposed articles (3000 to 6000 words maximum (12 to 24 pages), spaces, including bibliography and notes on paper or type in software, Word format) should be sent no later than July 31, 2016 to Jean-Noël Loucou, Director of the magazine "Dialogue and Peace" (reviewed refereed)

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